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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

NOTICE OF MOTION

Plaintiff,

09-CV-4874

-against-

MAKSIM SHAPIRO and SVETLANA ZIS,

Defendants.

SIRS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that upon the annexed Affirmation of John M. Downing Jr. and upon the exhibits annexed thereto, and upon the Local Rule 3(g) statement herein, and upon the memorandum of law submitted by defendants, the defendants will move this Court at the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, at the courthouse located at 225 Cadman Plaza East, Brooklyn, New York 11201 before the Honorable Raymond Dearie, on a date to be determined by the court after February 11, 2011, pursuant to Rule 56 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, granting summary judgment in favor of the defendants on the grounds that the plaintiff has not sustained a "serious injury" pursuant to New York Insurance Law § 5102(d) and granting such other and further relief as the Court just and proper.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that answering papers, if any, are required to be served by January 28, 2011.

Dated: New York, New York December 29, 2010

Yours, etc.,

JOHN M. DOWNING, JR. - 2518

DOWNING & PECK, P.C.

Attorneys for the Defendants 17 Battery Place, Suite 709 New York, New York 10004

Martin Druyan, Esq. To: Attorney for the Plaintiff 450 Seventh Avenue, Suite 704 New York, New York 10123

JDJ/ms
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

AFFIRMATION IN SUPPORT

Plaintiff,

09-CV-4874

-against-

MAKSIM SHAPIRO and SVETLANA ZIS,

Defendants.

JOHN M. DOWNING JR., an attorney duly admitted to practice law before the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York, hereby affirms the truth of the following statements under penalties of perjury:

I am a member of Downing & Peck, P.C., attorneys for defendants. I am familiar with this action, having reviewed all the medical records, the plaintiff's deposition transcript, and the defendants' examining physicians' reports and all other records herein.

I submit this affirmation in support of the within motion for summary judgment pursuant to Rule 56 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure on the grounds that plaintiff did not sustain a "serious injury" pursuant to Section 5102(d) of the Insurance Law of the State of New York in the subject automobile accident.

The plaintiff herein, Rita Baytsayeva, claims that there was contact between herself, a pedestrian, and the defendants' vehicle on January 4, 2008 at the intersection of Bath Avenue and 20th Avenue, Brooklyn, New York.

Jurisdiction was obtained in this matter pursuant to 32 U.S.C. 1331 on the grounds that the parties have complete diversity of citizenship and on the grounds that the plaintiff's attorney served a supplemental response setting forth the amount to which the plaintiff claims herself entitled and said amount was over \$75,000.00.

Immediately upon receipt of said response, the defendants removed this action to the United States District Court on the grounds of complete diversity of citizenship and amount in controversy over \$75,000.00.

The plaintiff commenced the action against the defendants by service of a summons and complaint, copies of which are annexed hereto as Exhibit $^{\text{N}}A''$.

The defendants answered the complaint on November 19, 2009 and a copy of defendants' Answer is annexed hereto as Exhibit "B".

The defendants served interrogatories upon the plaintiff requesting, among other things, the claimed injuries and a copy of the said interrogatories are annexed hereto as Exhibit "C".

The plaintiff's Response to Interrogatories, dated December 30, 2009 is annexed hereto as part of Exhibit "D".

As a result of the alleged contact with the motor vehicle, the plaintiff alleges soft tissue injuries of the neck and back and other various and diffuse injuries.

Immediately after the January 4, 2008 accident the plaintiff went to Lutheran Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York.

A copy of the medical record of Lutheran Medical Center is annexed hereto as Exhibit "E".

On March 22, 2010 Plaintiff Baytsayeva was deposed. Subsequent to the accident plaintiff changed her name to Andrea Rose and her transcript bears that name. The plaintiff's deposition transcript is annexed hereto as Exhibit "F".

On or about May 4, 2010 the plaintiff was examined in an independent medical examination by Jerome M. Block, M.D. neurologist. A copy of Dr. Block's report is annexed hereto as Exhibit "G". Dr. Block found no neurological injuries whatsoever.

Defendants requested that the plaintiff's MRI films be examined by a radiologist, David Fisher, M. D.. A copy of Dr. Fisher's report is annexed hereto as Exhibit "H". Dr. Fisher found only degenerative conditions in plaintiff's neck and back.

The plaintiff was a student at Long Island University Hospital at the time of the accident and completed a semester of nursing studies after the accident. A copy of her transcript from Long Island University Hospital is annexed hereto as Exhibit "I". Plaintiff maintained a B average after the accident.

Copies of photographs of defendants' vehicle after the accident are annexed hereto as Exhibit "J". There was no damage to the vehicle.

Copies of plaintiff's diagnostic film reports from East West Top Medical P.C. and East Manhattan Diagnostic Imaging P.C. are annexed hereto as Exhibit "K". These records establish that plaintiff had no fractures.

Copies of plaintiff's records from Advanced Medical Care are annexed hereto as Exhibit "L". Said records establish that there was no significant limitation or injury following the subject accident of January 4, 2008.

For the reasons set forth herein and all based upon the facts and arguments set forth in the accompanying Memorandum of Law, it is respectfully submitted that the plaintiff has not sustained a "serious injury" under New York Insurance Law §5102(d).

The records also establish that any contact by any vehicle on January 4, 2008 did not proximately cause any significant injury.

WHEREFORE it is respectfully requested that the within motion be granted and that the Court grant summary judgment in favor of defendants herein.

Duly affirmed this 29th day of December, 2010.

JOHN M. DOWNING JR. - 2518

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

MEMORANDUM OF LAW

Plaintiff,

09-CV-4874

-against-

MAKSIM SHAPIRO and SVETLANA ZIS,

Defendants.

PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

The within memorandum of law is submitted in support of the defendants' motion, pursuant to FRCP 56 and New York Insurance Law §5102(d), for an order granting summary judgment in favor of defendant dismissing plaintiff's complaint of the grounds, inter alia, that plaintiff did not sustain a "serious injury" under Insurance Law §5102(d).

STATEMENT OF FACTS

The plaintiff was born Rita Baytsayeva on October 28, 1961 in Vladikauz, Union of Soviet Socialist Republic. Plaintiff'S transcript at Pages 5 and 6. Plaintiff's transcript is annexed to the motion as Exhibit "F".

She was married to Mr. Alan Baytsayeva and divorced from Mr. Baytsayeva in approximately 1996. Exhibit F. Page 11 Line 23.

The plaintiff has three children ages 16, 18 and 22. Exhibit F, Page 12.

As of March 22, 2010 plaintiff was 5 foot 4 inches tall and weighed approximately 190 pounds. Exhibit F, Page 4 Line 9.

Plaintiff was a food production technician in the Soviet Union, Exhibit F, Page 16 Line 20.

She attended ASA Institute of Excellence in the United States from 2002 to 2004. Exhibit F Page 17 and received her associate's degree as a medical assistant.

As of the January 4, 2008 accident, the plaintiff was attending Long Island University Hospital to obtain a degree in nursing and had completed 60 credits towards a bachelor's degree. Exhibit F, Page 19.

Plaintiff testified that upon finishing the nursing program at Long Island University she intends to work in the future as a nurse. Exhibit F, Page 20 Line 22.

After the accident plaintiff attended morning and evening courses for one full semester. Exhibit F, Page 22 Lines 8 through 10.

Plaintiff admitted that she had no restrictions on any of her class-work as a result of the alleged injuries after the accident, Exhibit F, Page 23 Line 11 and maintained an approximate 3.0 average, Page 25 Line 19.

When asked if she was bleeding after the accident she

testified, "Not bleeding like bleeding, no. I wasn't bleeding on the floor or something, no." Exhibit F, Page 56 Line 22.

The plaintiff's first doctor, Dr. Miller, who was referred by her attorney, Exhibit F, Page 87 Line 14, asked her what complaints she had approximately one week after the accident. Exhibit F, Page 87 Line 22.

Even though the plaintiff, a trained nurse, made various complaints on said first visit to Dr. Miller of pain in the back, jaw, neck and face, dizziness, and inability to wash dishes, Dr. Miller diagnosed "head trauma, that is all." Exhibit F, Page 88 Line 17.

Plaintiff admitted that she only began to feel pain in the back a month after the accident. Exhibit F, Page 88 Line 21.

Plaintiff was taken to Lutheran Medical Center after the accident. Please see Exhibit E.

The Lutheran Medical Center physician noted under physical exam that the plaintiff's extremities were normal.

Her neurological testing was normal (5 out of 5); her sensory functions were grossly intact and her gait was normal.

The physical exam of the back showed no midline tenderness and no abnormalities.

The physical exam of the neck showed no tenderness, full range of motion and no abnormalities.

The diagnosis was head trauma and occipital hematoma.

As of 2:47 p.m. on the day of accident at Lutheran Hospital, the plaintiff was alert, the extremities had full range of motion and there was no dizziness or headache.

At 3:53 p.m. the patient denied any pain at all and she was discharged home.

A CT scan of the cervical spine was taken at Lutheran Hospital and read by Dr. Jen-Fong Shen, radiologist. The finding was no evidence of acute fracture or dislocation, no significant spinal stenosis, normal spinal curvature, and no bony destruction. The impression was no evidence of fracture or dislocation.

Plaintiff also had a CT scan of the brain at Lutheran Medical Center, also read by Dr. Shen, which showed an unremarkable study of the head.

The CT scan of the brain showed no evidence of lesion or hemorrhage, no mucosal thickening. All bony structures were intact.

The plaintiff did not have any physical therapy until appropriately one year after the accident i.e. January 2009. Exhibit F, Page 92 Line 6 and 15.

Plaintiff could not recall the amount of time that she saw the therapist on King's Highway in Brooklyn. Exhibit F, Page 92 Line 22.

The physical therapy that she received at King's Highway consisted of bending and lifting her legs. Exhibit F, Page 93 Line

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Plaintiff consulted with a Dr. Neystat who was also referred by her attorney. Exhibit F, Page 97 Line 14.

While plaintiff claims that Dr. Neystat prescribed Lexapro for fibromyalgia, Lexapro is used to treat depression and anxiety.

Plaintiff did not see Dr. Neystat until February 2009. Exhibit F, Page 101 Line 19.

The plaintiff admitted that as of March 2010 she was doing rigorous home exercises every day including leaning down and lifting her legs. Exhibit F, Page 102 Line 21.

She also exercised her shoulders, back and legs counting same all the way to "50 times." Exhibit F, page 103.

Plaintiff was employed by Omega Healthcare at the time of the accident. Exhibit F, Page 111.

Plaintiff's elderly patient, Ms. Pildish, with whom plaintiff was walking at the time of the accident, suffered a fractured hip in the subject pedestrian accident and Ms. Pildish was admitted to Sepharolic Nursing and Rehabilitation Center for full time care nursing several months after the accident, thereby ending Ms. Baytsayeva's employment with Ms. Pildish.

Plaintiff went on workers' compensation following the accident. Exhibit F, Page 108.

None of the plaintiff's doctors have ever stated that she cannot work as a home health assistant.

Jerome Block, M.D. examined the plaintiff on or about May 4, 2010. Please see Exhibit G.

Dr. Block examined her cranial nerves and found them normal. He examined her sensation and found it normal. He examined her motor system and found that her strength, tone, muscle bulk, gait, balance, and ability to walk on heels and toes and coordination were all normal.

Plaintiff did not report any pain in response to manual muscle testing in any area.

Her deep tendon reflexes were symmetrical and normal.

Plaintiff was able to lie down and raise her legs 90 degrees in the air.

Plaintiff had full and painless motion of the cervical and lumbar ranges of motion.

There was no spasm, trigger points or Tinel's sign over the nerves.

During Dr. Block's examination, Ms. Baytsayeva showed no signs of pain or discomfort. Her movements were easy in sitting, turning, and looking about the room.

There was no pain on palpation of the multiple muscle group.

Her neurological exam was clearly normal in regard to cognition, cranial nerve sensation, motor and reflex systems as well as straight leg raising.

Plaintiff had supple and full ranges of motion throughout the

spinal column.

Dr. Block found no evidence of fibromyalgia and no evidence of dysfunction of the central, peripheral, or autonomic nervous systems.

Dr. Block found no evidence of neurologic dysfunction and found no neurological sequelae or abnormality.

Dr. Block opined that mood disturbance or depression the plaintiff complained of was likely due to two divorces and three adult children whom she had to yell at on occasion.

David A. Fischer, M. D. diplomat of the American Board of Radiology, examined the plaintiff's MRI of the cervical spine and found that the disc dehydration, disc space narrowing, and end plate spurring were evidence of diffuse degenerative changes throughout the cervical spine, not any impact or fall-down accident.

Dr. Fisher found no disc herniations.

POINT I

PLAINTIFF HAS NOT SUSTAINED A "SERIOUS INJURY" AS DEFINED BY NEW YORK INSURANCE LAW §5102(d).

Under New York Law, a plaintiff who seeks recovery for pain and suffering and other non-economic loss arising from an automobile accident must plead and prove a "serious injury."

Insurance Law §5104(a).

Section 5102(d) of the New York State Insurance Law provides:

Serious injury" means a personal injury which results in death; dismemberment; significant disfigurement; a fracture; loss of a fetus; permanent loss of use of a body organ, member, function or system; permanent consequential limitation of use of a body organ or member; significant limitation of use of function or system; or medically determined injury or impairment of a non-permanent nature which prevents the injured person performing substantially all of the material acts which constitute such persons usual and customary daily activities for not less than 90 days during the 180 days immediately following the occurrence of the injury or impairment.

Plaintiff's testimony and Dr. Block's report establish that plaintiff did not sustain any injury of these categories. There is simply no objective evidence of serious injury from the minor contact to plaintiff's body.

New York's Court of Appeals interpreted the meaning of this requisite "serious injury" in <u>Licari v. Elliot</u>, 57 N.Y.2d 230, 455 N.Y.S.2d 570, 441 N.E.2d 1088 (1982).

By affirming the unanimous opinion of the Appellate Division, Second Department, the Court of Appeals mandated that the lower courts must "first determine whether or not a prima facie case of serious injury has been established which would permit a plaintiff to maintain a common law cause of action in tort." <u>Licari</u> at 237.

The Court of Appeals stated that the determination of whether a plaintiff has a cause of action to assert is a threshold question for the Court as the Legislature enacted the statute to modify the

rights of persons to sue for personal injuries. <u>Id</u>. at 237-238.

As the Court held:

It is incumbent upon the Court to decide in the first instance whether plaintiff has a cause of action to assert within the meaning of the statute ... Thus, we believe that the Legislature intended the Court should decide the threshold question of whether the evidence would warrant a jury finding that the injury falls within the class of injuries that, under no-fault, should be excluded from judicial remedy. If it can be said, that as a matter of law, that plaintiff has suffered no serious injury ... then plaintiff has no claim to assert and there is nothing for the jury to decide. <u>Id</u>. at 237-238.

Indeed, the Court of Appeals recognizes that one of the obvious goals of the legislative scheme of no-fault automobile reparation is to keep minor personal injury cases out of the Court.

Id. at 236.

The term, "significant" as it appears in the statute has been defined as "something more than a minor limitation of use" and the term "substantially all" has been construed to mean "that the person has been curtailed from performing his usual activities to a great extent rather than some slight curtailment." Licari v. Elliott, 57 N.Y.2d 230, 455 N.Y.S.2d 570, 441 N.E.2d 1088 (1982).

It is well settled under New York Law that allegations of subjective complaints of occasional pain or recurring pain fail to satisfy the statutory threshold showing of a serious injury. Shaw v. Looking Glass Assoc., 8 A.D.3d 100, 779 N.Y.S.2d 7 (1st Dept

2004).

minor accident.

Plaintiff offers nothing more than subjective complaints.

Plaintiff's unimpaired nursing study for one semester and continuation of daily activities demonstrate that plaintiff's normal and customary activities were not affected by the extremely

The term "consequential" [injury] means important or significant. Kordana v. Pomellito, 121 A.D.2d 783, 503 N.Y.S.2d 198 (3rd Dept 1986).

Accordingly, plaintiff has not sustained a "serious injury" pursuant to the New York Insurance Law, and the plaintiff's complaint should be dismissed in its entirety.

POINT II

ANY CONTACT WITH THE GROUND DID NOT CAUSE ANY SERIOUS INJURY TO MS. BAYTSAYEVA.

The photographs establish no significant contact to the vehicle.

The plaintiff testified that there was no bleeding as a result of the impact.

The hospital doctors diagnosed no "head trauma" injuries to the head, neck or back.

Plaintiff was released from the emergency room the same day.

Plaintiff returned to work the next day and continued to study for the following semester at Long Island University. As of her deposition, she had no current medical treatment or prescriptions.

Plaintiff must establish a causal relationship between her alleged injury and the subject occurrence. Pommells v. Perez, 4 N.Y.3d 566, 830 N.E.2d 278, 797 N.Y.S.2d 380 (2005); Figueroa v. Castillo, N.Y. Slip Op. 08669 (1st Dept 2006) Style v. Joseph, 32 A.D.3d 212, 820 N.Y.S.2d 26 (1st Dept 2006).

Where plaintiff fails to establish that the claimed injuries were proximately caused in the accident, summary judgment should be granted to defendant. <u>Pommello v. Perez</u>, 4 N.Y. 3d 566, 830 N.E. 2d 278, 797, N.Y.S2d 380 (2005).

POINT III

THE PLAINTIFF DID NOT SUSTAIN ANY SIGNIFICANT INJURY TO THE HEAD NECK OR BACK.

The triage initial assessment form of Lutheran Medical Center establishes no neurological or orthopedic injury.

There was no diagnosis of any neck or back injury at Lutheran Medical Center.

An x-ray of the left and right tempero-mandibular joint on January 28, 2008 showed no fracture.

MRI of the cervical spine of April 2, 2008 showed no evidence of a nerve root or spinal chord impingement.

Indeed, there are no objective tests showing any serious

injury of the neck or back herein.

The Court of Appeals in the case of <u>Gaddy v. Eyler</u>, 79 N.Y.2d 955, 583, N.Y.S.2d 186, 592 N.E.2d 794 (1992) dismissed the plaintiff's complaint on the grounds of lack of serious injury. The court noted that the plaintiff had a normal neurological examination. The court stated that the burden thus shifted to the plaintiff to come forward with sufficient evidence to overcome defendant's motion by demonstrating that she sustained a serious injury.

There must be objective medical evidence of alleged serious injury, not simply subjective complaints. Toure v. Avis Rent A Car System, 98 N.Y.2d 345, 746 N.Y.S.2d 865, 774 N.E.2d 1197 (2002), Haddadnia v. Saville, 29 A.D.3d 1211, 815 N.Y.S.2d 319 (3rd Dept. 2006). Here, there is no such objective evidence of serious injury.

CONCLUSION

For the forgoing reasons, plaintiff's complaint should be dismissed in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

DOWNING & PECK, P.C. Attorneys for Defendant 17 Battery Place - Suite 709 New York, New York 10007 212-514-9190 File #: 3.1107

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JOHN M. DOWNING, JR. - 2518

JDJ:JM
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

LOCAL 3(g) STATEMENT

-against-

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS,

Defendants.

Plaintiff,

Defendants by their attorney, Downing & Peck, P. C. hereby submits the following statement under the Rule 3 (g).

- 1. On January 4, 2008 Svetlana Zis was operating a 2007 Honda, License Plate No. WAV62B, New Jersey with the knowledge and consent of its owner.
- 2. On January 4, 2008 Svetlana Zis was operating a 2007 Honda at or near the intersection of Bath Avenue and Bay $25^{\rm th}$ Street, Brooklyn, New York.

Dated: New York, NY

December 29, 2010

Yours etc.

DOWNING & PECK/P.C.

Attorneys for the Defendants

17 Battery Place

New York, New York 10004

(212) 514-9190

EXHIBIT A

SUPREME COURT OF THE STA	₩ % 	
RITA BAYTSAYEVA	X	Index No. 26592- 2009 Date Purchased: Oct. 21, 2009
	Plaintiff,	,
-against-		Plaintiff(s) designate(s) KINGS County as the place of trial.
MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS HONDA LEASE TRUST HONDS CORPORATION,		
ŕ	Defendants.	The basis of venue is Place of Accident
	X	Summons
		WITH NOTICE

To the above named Defendant(s)

You are hereby summoned to answer the complaint in this action and to serve a copy of your answer, or, if the complaint is not served with this summons, to serve a notice of appearance. on the Plaintiff's Attorney(s) within 20 days after the service of this summons, exclusive of the day of service (or within 30 days after the service is complete if this summons is not personally delivered to you within the State of New York); and in case of your failure to appear or answer, judgment will be taken against you by default for the relief demanded in the complaint.

Dated: August 24, 2009

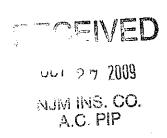
Defendant's address:

Martin Druyan, Esq.
Office and Post Office Address

450 7th Avenue Suite 3302

New York, NY 10123.

NOTICE The nature of this action is a lawsuit seeking damages in the amount of one million dollars. The relief sought is money damages in the amount of one million dollars plus interests costs based upon Defendants negligence in the operation of their motor vehicle that struck the pedestrian Plaintiff resulting in her physical injuries, requiring medical treatment, and other resultant damages. Upon your failure to appear, judgment will be taken against you by default for the sum of One Million Dollars with interests from August 24, 2009 and the costs and disbursements of this action.



SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW Y COUNTY OF KINGS	
RITA BAYTSAYEVA	X

Plaintiff,

AMENDED VERIFIED COMPLAINT

-against-

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS HONDA LEASE TRUST HONDS CORPORATION,

Defendants	dants.
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Rita Baytsayeva by her attorneys Martin Druyan and Associates as and for her verified complaint alleges against the Defendants

- At all times hereinafter alleged on Jan. 4, 2008 in Kings County, New York State, at about Bath Ave and 23rd St. in the 62nd Police Precinct.
- 2. Rita Baystayeva was a resident of New York City
- 3. Rita Baystayeva was a pedestrian in Kings County
- 4. Maksim Shapiro owned a motor vehicle.
- 5. Maksim Shaprio rented or leased a motor vehicle
- 6. Maksim Shapiro operated a motor vehicle.
- 7. Svetlana Zis owned a motor vehicle
- 8. Svetlana Zis rented or leased a motor vehicle.
- 9. Svetlana Zis operated a motor vehicle

9A. The allegations and actions served in the previous complaint against Honda Lease

Trust(Honda hereafter) and Honds corporation be and are discontinued by stipulation between the parties.

- Defendants herein alone and together operated a motor vehicle in Kings County on Jan. 4,
 2008.
- 11. Defendants vehicle struck the plaintiff in Kings County on said date.
- 12. Plaintiff was a pedestrian at the time and place she was struck by the Defendants motor vehicle.
- 13. Plaintiff was working at the time and place that she was struck by the Defendants vehicle
- 14. Defendants were negligent in the operation of their motor vehicle in Kings County at about the aforementioned location, when they were speeding, failed to look, watch for pedestrians as Plaintiff, ignored traffic conditions, failed to apply brakes, were careless, not paying attention to traffic conditions, violated the NYC Administrative Code and NY State Vehicle and Traffic Law, drove recklessly in violation of speed and traffic laws rules and regulations, didn't signal or brake, or slow, ignored traffic conditions, were inattentive, didn't sound horn, turn away and did not take steps to avoid striking Plaintiff pedestrian, that the defendants alone and together were generally negligent and reckless, and failed to take steps to avoid the accident in the operation of their motor vehicle.
- 15. Plaintiff was not negligent in any way when struck by Defendants vehicle.
- 16. As the result the Plaintiff has been rendered sick sore lame and disabled, has missed work, and suffered physical and mental damages, constant pain, has incurred medical expenses, hospitalization, doctors treatment, medicines, up to date and continuing, and has lost the

enjoyment of life, is not able to take care of her personal needs, has had to file for workers compensation benefits, has not worked since the day of the accident, suffered injuries including but not limited to "marked exaggeration of the lumbar lordosis, L1-L2 disc herniation..deforms the ventral thecal sac, L-4_15 right foraminal disc herniation, with right encroachment,the exacerbation of any medical, physical or psychiatric conditions that were in remission or non symptomatic prior to the plaintiff 's accident with defendant vehicle described herein, Plaintiff further suffered exacerbation of depressive disorder secondary to traumatic brain injury and chronic physical disability and related disorders Axis II, II,

- 17. Plaintiff has been examined and treated by numerous physicians and health care professional incurring medical bills and expenses, travel costs, and other special damages, which are continuing to date.
- 18. Plaintiff suffered the exacerbation of her prior physical condition.
- 19. Plaintiffs injury is permanent
- 20. Plaintiff sustained a "serious injury" as defined by the Insurance Law of the State of New York, as amended sects.5102d, 5104a, permanent disc injuries and psychiatric injuries and other injuries described supra, "permanent loss ..of a body organ function or system, permanent consequential limitation of use of a body organ or member, significant limitation of a body function or system...also the medically determined injury or impairment of a non permanent nature which prevents the plaintiff from performing substantially all of the material acts which constitute the plaintiffs usual .. daily activities...not less than 90 days during 180 days ...following the occurrence...."

Wherefore Plaintiff demands judgment against the defendants in the amount of one million dollars plus the costs and disbursements of this action with datutory interest, for all lawful damages.

Dated: New York, N.Y.

Jan 26, 2010

MARTIN SKUYAN ESQ AND ASSOCIATES Attorneys For Plaintiff 450 7th Ave New York, N.Y. 10123 212-279-5577

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EXHIBIT B

MDP/de UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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ECF CASE

RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

<u>AMENDED</u>

Plaintiff,

VERIFIED ANSWER

-against-

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION,

DEFENDANTS DEMAND
TRIAL BY JURY

Defendants.

J. Orenstein

Defendants MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, and HONDA CORPORATION, by their attorneys, Downing & Peck, P.C., hereby answers the amended verified complaint with dated May 13, 2010 as follows:

- Denies knowledge and information sufficient to form a belief as to each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 1, 2, 3, and 12 of said complaint.
- Admits each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 4, 5,
 and 9A of said complaint.
- 3. Deny each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 6, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, and 19 of said complaint.
- 4. Upon information and belief denies each and every allegation contained in paragraphs 7, 8, 9C, 10 and 11 of said complaint.

AS AND FOR A FIRST AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

5. Plaintiff has not sustained a serious injury as defined by the New York State Insurance Law \$5102 and, therefore, is barred from recovery herein.

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AS AND FOR A SECOND AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

The plaintiff's damages must be reduced in accordance with the 6. comparative negligence of plaintiff.

AS AND FOR A THIRD AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE

Plaintiff's damages, if any, must be reduced in accordance 7. with their failure to mitigate damages.

Dated:

New York, New York

May 17, 2010

3627 Downling & Peck, P.c. Attorney for Defendants 5 Hanover Square - 20th Fl. New York, New York 10004

212-514-9190

Yours Etc.,

To: Martin Druyan, Esq. Attorney for Plaintiff 450 7th Avenue - Suite 704 New York, New York 10123

212-279-5577

VERIFICATION

STATE OF NEW YORK.)

COUNTY OF NEW YORK .) ss.:

I, the undersigned, an attorney duly admitted to practice in the courts of New York State, state that I am MARGUERITE D. PECK, the attorney of record for defendants, in the within action; I have read the foregoing AMENDED VERIFIED ANSWER and know the contents thereof; the same is true to my own knowledge, except as to the matters therein alleged to be on information and belief, and as to those matters I believe it to be true. The reason this verification is made by me and not by said defendants is because said defendants are not presently in the County of New York wherein I maintain my office.

The grounds for my belief as to all matters not stated upon my own knowledge are as follows: Investigations, reports, etc.

Dated: New York, New York

May 17, 2010

MARGUERITE D. PECK - 3627

AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF NEW YORK)

COUNTY OF NEW YORK) ss.:

Dominick Eastham, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am not a party of this action, I am over 18 years of age, and I reside in Staten Island, New York.

That on May 17, 2010, I served the within **AMENDED VERIFIED ANSWER** by mailing a copy to each of the following persons at the last known address set forth after each name below:

To: Martin Druyan, Esq.
Attorney for Plaintiff
450 7th Avenue - Suite 704
New York, New York 10123
212-279-5577

DOMINICK EASTHAM

STATE OF NEW YORK)
COUNTY OF NEW YORK) ss.:

On the 17^{TH} day of May in the year 2010 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared **DOMINICK EASTHAM** personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Robert M. Mazzei
Notary Public, State of New York
No. # 02MA6201061
Qualified in Nessau County
Commission Expires in 02/17/20

5/17/2010

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Answers to Complaints

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Eastern District of New York

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Honda Corporation

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Plaintiffs,

MAKSIM SHAPERO) SWEELANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION

- Defendants

AMENDED VERIFIED ANSWER

DOWNING & PECK PC.

Attorneys for Defendants

Office and Post Office Address, Telephone

5 Hanover Square - 20th Floor New York, New York 10004 212-514-9190

Plaintiff,

INTERROGATORIES

-against-

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION,

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that the defendants, MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION pursuant to Rule 33 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, hereby requests the plaintiff, to answer under oath the following interrogatories in writing, within thirty days:

- 1. State how it is claimed the accident occurred.
- 2. State all the acts and/or omissions constituting the negligence claimed.
- 3. State the nature and extent of all injuries.
- 4. Specify those injuries claimed to be permanent.
- 5. Accurately state length of time confined to bed.
- 6. Accurately state length of time confined to home.
- 7. State name of each and every hospital, clinic or doctor's office where any treatment or examination was rendered, and length of time, if any, confined there and the number and dates of visits.
- 8. State name and address of employers from the time of the alleged accident to the present.
- 9. State length of time incapacitated from employment due to the accident.
- 10. If self-employed, state nature of self-employment and business address at the time of the accident and at present.

- 11. If a student at the time of the accident, set forth name and address of all schools attended from the date of the accident to date and state the length of time incapacitated from attending school due to the accident.
- 12. State total amounts claimed as special damages for:
 - (a) physicians' expenses;
 - (b) medical expenses;
 - (c) nurses' expenses;
 - (d) hospital expenses;
 - (e) lost earnings; and
 - (f) any other expenses which it is claimed resulted from this accident.
- 13. State the residence address of the plaintiff at the time of the accident and at present; and state the date of birth of the plaintiff.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that in the event of the plaintiff's failure to answer these interrogatories within thirty (30) days, the defendants will move to preclude the offering of any evidence as to the matters herein demanded and to dismiss the Complaint.

Dated: New York, New York November 19, 2009

John M. Downing, Jr.-2518
Downing & Peck, P.c.
Attorney for Defendants
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New York, New York 10004
212-514-9190

To: Martin Druyan, Esq.
Attorney for Plaintiff
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New York, New York 10123
212-279-5577

JDJ/mh
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
-----X
RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

Plaintiff,

EXPERT INTERROGATORIES

-against-

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION,

Defendants.

Defendants, MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION by their attorneys, DOWNING & PECK, P.C., demands pursuant to Rule 26 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure that plaintiff respond to the following interrogatories at the office of the undersigned within thirty days form the date hereof:

- Identify each person upon whom the plaintiff will rely as an expert witness at the time of trial.
- 2. Set forth in reasonable detail the subject matter on which each expert is expected to testify.
- 3. Set forth the substance of the facts and opinions on which each expert is expected to testify.
- 4. Set forth the qualifications of each expert witness.
- 5. Set forth a summary of the grounds for each opinion.

Dated: New York, New York November 19, 2009

Yours Etc.,

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
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RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

Plaintiff,

NOTICE TO PRODUCE

-against-

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION,

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Defendants, MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION, by their attorneys, DOWNING & PECK, P.C., demands pursuant to Rule 34 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, that the plaintiff provide the following items for discovery and inspection within thirty days from the date hereof at the office of the undersigned:

- 1. Duly executed and acknowledged authorizations allowing the undersigned to obtain the following:
 - a) The plaintiff's employment records for 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008 from all employers who employed the plaintiff.
 - b) Records from all hospitals, doctors, therapists and medical providers who treated, examined or conducted tests on the plaintiff for the injuries allegedly sustained by the plaintiff arising from the accident of January 4, 2008.
 - c) Records of all hospital, doctors, therapists and medical providers who treated, examined or conducted tests upon the plaintiff prior to January 4, 2008 for injuries or conditions similar to the injuries allegedly sustained on January 4, 2008.

- d) If a Workers' Compensation claim was made, copies of the Workers' Compensation file from the carrier and the Workers' Compensation Board. The authorization must have the file number.
- e) The records of all collateral sources who have replaced or indemnified, in whole or in part, the plaintiff for the cost of medical care, dental care, custodial care or rehabilitation services, loss of earnings, or other economic loss claimed by the plaintiff.
- f) The record of all pharmacies which filled plaintiff's prescriptions regarding the injuries allegedly sustained on January 4, 2008.
- g) School records of all schools and colleges in which the plaintiff has been enrolled since January 4, 2008.
- 2. Copies of all photographs taken which depict the scene of the accident of January 4, 2008.
- 3. All photographs taken which depict the injuries allegedly sustained by the plaintiff resulting from the accident of January 4, 2008.
- 4. Set forth the names and addresses of each witness to the accident of January 4, 2008.
- 5. If the plaintiff is in possession of any statement of defendant provide a copy of same.
- 6. Identify each person whom the plaintiff expects to call as an expert witness at trial and disclose in reasonable detail the subject matter on which each expert is expected to testify, the substance of the facts and opinions on which each expert

is expected to testify, the qualifications of each expert and a summary of the grounds for each expert's opinion.

7. All photographs of the vehicles involved in the accident of January 4, 2008 which depict damage sustained in the accident.

Dated: New York, New York November 19, 2009

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JDJ/mh
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

Plaintiff,

NOTICE TO TAKE
DEPOSITION UPON ORAL
EXAMINATION

-against-

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION,

Defendants.

SIRS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that pursuant to Rule 30 of the Federal Rule of Civil Procedure, the testimony upon oral examination of the plaintiff, RITA BAYTSAYEVA, will be taken before a Notary Public, who is not an attorney, or employee of an attorney, for any party or prospective party herein and who is not a person who would be disqualified to act as a juror because of interest in the event or because of consanguinity of affinity to any party herein:

DATE: December 16, 2009 at 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: DOWNING & PECK, P.C.

5 Hanover Square - 20th Floor New York, New York 10004

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE, that each party then and there to be examined is required to produce photographs of vehicles involved in the accident of January 4, 2008 which show damages sustained in accident; all photographs which show injuries sustained by each plaintiff in the accident of January 4, 2008; all photographs of scene of the accident; and income tax records for each plaintiff for 2002, 2003 and 2004 so that such documents can be marked as

exhibits and used on the examination.

Dated:

New York, New York November 19, 2009

Yours Etc.,

John M. Downing, Jr.-2518 Downing & Peck, P.c. Attorney for Defendants 5 Hanover Square - 20th Fl. New York, New York 10004 212-514-9190

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AFFIDAVIT OF SERVICE

STATE OF NEW YORK

COUNTY OF NEW YORK) ss.:

Meghan Hood, being duly sworn, deposes and says: I am not a party of this action, I am over 18 years of age, and I reside in Staten Island, New York.

That on November 20, 2009, I served the within INTERROGATORIES, EXPERT INTERROGATORIES, NOTICE TO PRODUCE, and NOTICE TO TAKE DEPOSITION UPON ORAL EXAMINATION by mailing a copy to each of the following persons at the last known address set forth after each name below:

To: Martin Druyan, Esq.
Attorney for Plaintiff
450 7th Avenue - Suite 3302
New York, New York 10123
212-279-5577

MEGHAM HOOD

STATE OF NEW YORK) SS.:

On the 20th day of November in the year 2009 before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said State, personally appeared **MEGHAN HOOD** personally known to me or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence to be the individual whose name is subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she executed the same in his/her capacity, and that by his/her signature on the instrument, the individual, or the person upon behalf of which the individual acted, executed the instrument.

OTARY PUBLIC

Robert M. Mazzei
Notary Public, State of New York
No. # 02MA6201061
Qualified in Nassau County
Commission Expires in 02/17/20

09-CV-4874

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

Plaintiffs,

-agäinst-

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION,

Defendants,

INTERROGATORIES;
EXPERT INTERROGATORIES;
NOTICE TO PRODUCE, and
NOTICE TO TAKE DEPOSITION UPON ORAL EXAMINATION

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EXHIBIT D

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

Plaintiff,

RESPONSE TO INTERROGATORIES

-against-

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS, HONDA LEASE TRUST, HONDA CORPORATION.

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- The accident occurred: Plaintiff/pedestrian was crossing the street and was struck by defendants operating their motor vehicle. Plaintiff injured her head, low back, shoulders, (see below) whole body.
- 2. The acts and/or omissions constituting the negligence claimed: Defendants operated the motor vehicle carclessly, were speeding, did not slow, not looking or watching, failed to apply brakes or turn away or to sound horn to slow; were reckless in violation of NYS Vehicle and Traffic Law and NYC Administrative Code as described herein, failed to take steps to avoid the accident, ignored rules of the road and traffic conditions, did not look or see plaintiff and other pedestrians crossing the street, were not paying attention, were generally negligent and failed to take steps to avoid striking plaintiff pedestrian with their auto, and to avoid the accident herein, were speeding, reckless, ignored the traffic signs, speed limitations, didn't sound horn, apply brakes or slow down, or use steering wheel to turn away vehicle.

3. The nature and extent of all permanent injuries: Plaintiff suffered back (disc), head, neurological, whole body, disabling, permanent injuries.

She cannot enjoy life or attend to her and her family daily functions, she cannot attend Broadway shows, cannot cook, eats substandard frozen food, can't clean her apartment, can t bake desserts, can't sleep peacefully, has insomnia, is forgetful, must repeat simple tasks; has eyesight impairment, cognitive function is impaired.,

Plaintiff suffered a concussion, permanent neurological damages that renders her disabled and unable to work, from the accident to date, and continuing, suffering dizziness, headaches, inability to concentrate, think clearly or cogently, loss of short term and long term memory, is depressed regarding the injuries and consequences described herein,

Plaintiff cannot work has filed for workers comp. and social security disability, applications pending.

MRI INDICATES BRAIN 2/09;

Cervical strain with exacerbation of any preexisiting degenerative changes

Low back strain with MRI evidence of a herniated disc to the left at L1-L2 with mild stenosis,

MRI INDICATES BRAIN 2/09 NON SPECIFIC WHITE MATTER CHANGES.

She suffers muscle spasms, tenderness, taut bands, osteopathis somatic dysfunctions in the cervical spine, there are not appreciated in the thoracic spine and lumbar spine. (Dr. Perry)

Right leg pain. Pain is at the level of 7-8/10 with radiation to the right foot. Symptoms described as burning, sharp and moderate. The present condition is associated with back stiffness. The following factors improved partially. Pain is at the level of 6-7/10. Patient reports partial improvement with physical therapy. Intermittent vertigo has remained unchanged. She continues c/o memory loss, confusion, inability to sleep. She continues having episodes of confusion and disorientation. Anxious and headaches treated. Past medical history is unremarkable.

There is exacerbation of any pre-existing asymptomatic condition. Lexapro – imported – 5 mg tablet (one PO HS) (active); usage stated on 1/19/2009 and usage stopped on 1/19/2009 medication was prescribed by Neystat, Marina MD.

Plaintiff suffers fibromyologia pain in her hand.,

Currently unemployed due to accident disability, receiving workers compensation, this is a permanent injury that impairs all physical functions of plaintiff.

Review of Plaintiff system: Psychiatric: Depression, Neurological: numbness in hands, tingling in hands, weakness, headache, Musculoskeletal: arm pain, Eyes: blurred vision, Ears: ringing in ears, Constitutional Symptoms: sleep problems, night sweats, weight gain, Cardiovascular: chest pain.

Neurological Exam: Mental Status: Plaintiff mood is anxious and depressed. Reflexes: tight Achilles reflex is ¼. Babinski reflex is absent. Sensation: Touch, pin, vibratory and proprioception sensations are decreased in the lateral aspect of the right leg.

Physical therapy follow up: Radiculipathy – Cervical (723.4) (Brachial neuritis or radiculitis) and Tadiculopathy (724.4) - Lumbar/Thoracic. Subjective: the patient complains of persistent pain, 5-6/10. Decrease of pain for few hours after treatment. Objective: Tenderness neck extensors, suboccipital area, physical therapy treatment includes the following: supervised electrical stimulation applied for 20 min using: TENS mode, hot packs, time 20 minutes. Mysfascial releases. Neuromuscular reeducation performed that consists of posture awareness. Therapeutic exercises performed to improve strength and flexibility x 30 minutes. Cervical exercise include: ROM exercise flexion, extension, side flexion, rotation and shoulder shrugs (reps-12, sets-2, holding time-2 seconds). Low back stretching using bilateral knee to the chest (reps - 12, sets - 1) and pelvis tilt (reps - 12, sets - 2). Applied ultrasound (time - 5 min, intensity - 1.5 W/cm.sq).

These medical conditions were caused by: MVAccident.

Continued 3 Injuries:

Present pain with: decreased activities of daily living, ambulation, endurance, functional status and mobility, difficulty with standing, self-care activities, transfers and work activities and joint stiffness. The symptoms are described as; disabling, intermittent, radiating and throbbing. The following factors aggravate symptoms: activities of daily living, carrying objects, standing, trunk movements and walking. Vital signs: BP sitting. Level of mobility: able to ambulate without assistive device.

- 4. Injuries claimed to be permanent: All injuries herein are deemed permanent.
- Length of time confined to bed 1/4/08 DATE ACCIDENT, TO Feb. 4, '08
 completely due to concussion herein, and injuries, and occasionally thereafter to date
 and continuing.
- 6. Length of time confined to home 1/4/08 date of accident to Feb. 4, '08, and continuing to date, on occasion due to injuries herein, attempted to work: Vocational Services, 8/09 unsuccessfully Bd of Ed Training Program and Omega Health Services Bklyn NY, could not due to injuries;

Feb. '08 left house and bed to obtain therapy and medical treatment,

7. Each and every hospital, clinic or doctor's office where any treatment or examination was rendered, and length of time, if any confined there and the number and dates of visits. Plaintiff visited doctors:

Dr. Kuhn – Neurologist – 200 W. 57th St., Ste# 1205, New York, NY 10019 Dr. Jean Miller - 4738 Broadway, New York, NY 10040 Marina Neystat, MD - 1725 E. 12th St., Ste# 501, Brooklyn, NY 11229 East Manhattan Diagnostic Imaging, P.C., 424 E 89th St., New York, NY 10028 Slava Nestsor, M.S.P.T. - 1725 E. 12th St., Ste# 501, New York, NY 11229 Dr. Marc. M. Leyinson – 19 Beekman St., New York, NY 10038 Seaport

8. Name and address of employers from the time of the alleged accident to the present:

No Employment: cannot work – 2009 NYU evaluation Vocational Training

2009 Omega Home Health Care 44 Court St. Brooklyn, NY 11201

- 9. Time incapacitated from employment due to the accident. 1/4/08 to date and continuing
 - I. 2009 Attempted to work at NYC Dept. of Ed, Vocational training,
 - II. Omega Health Care 2009 Plaintiff failed at both, couldn't work
 pain back, head, body, etc. See herein.
- 10. N/A
- 11. N/A
- 12. Total amounts claimed as special damages for:
 - (a) physicians' expenses; Not paid by Plaintiff out of pocket, Workers Comp to pay
 - (b) medical expenses; Workers Comp to pay doctors therapy & medicine, and nurse, if any
 - (c) Lutheran Medical Center, 150 55th St., Brooklyn, NY 11220hospital expenses;
 - (d) lost earnings; \$32,000 about 2 years plus continuing to date.
 - (e) any other expenses which it is claimed resulted from this accident: Medicine, see attached unpaid about \$900; plus car service, train to doctors, physical therapy \$1,000 estimated, and continuing.

13. The residence address of the plaintiff at the time of the accident and at present: 40 West 115th Street, New York, NY 10021.

The date of birth of the plaintiff: Oct. 28, 1961

Dated: New York, New York

Dec. 30, 2009

Martin Dhyan & Associates -6866

Attorney for Plaintiff

450 Seventh Avenue, Suite 704

New York, NY 10123

To: Downing and Peck, Attorneys for Defendant

EXHIBIT E

E-5-67

Invoice Summary Lutheran Medical Center

DOWNING & PECK, P.C. **5 HANOVER SQUARE** 20TH FLOOR NEW YORK, NY 10004

Request Date: 03/30/2010 Invoice Date:

04/06/2010

Invoice #:

de0000052553

For copying records on:

BAYSAVEVA, RITA

Request ID #:

de0000052553

Number of pages copied: 9

Sales Tax applied this invoice: 0.00

> **Total Charges:** 6.75

Payments Received: 6.75

Adjustments/Credits:

0.00

Balance Due: 0.00

Please Return Lower Portion with Payment to:

Lutheran Medical Center 150-55th Street Brooklyn, NY 11220

Requester:

DOWNING & PECK, P.C.

Patient: Invoice #:

BAYSAVEVA, RITA

Invoice Date:

de0000052553 04/06/2010

Balance Due: 0.00 Amount Paid:



Name and Address **Employer** BAYSAVEVA, RITA 40 WEST 159 STREET 34 COURT STREET **NEW YORK** NY 10026 Phone: (212)828-2188 Sex: Phone: SS No: 091-88-5231 **Marital Status**

BirthDate 10/28/1961 Occupation:

Religion

Patient's Maiden Name:

Nearest Relative

Admission Data

Admit Date

1/4/2008

Triage Time

Emergency Contact

BAYSAVEVA, MARIANNA

Account Number

0800401218

BAYSAVEVA, MARIANNA

Home Phone: (347)784-4196

Rel: D

Business Phone:

Race:

Prim Care MD 9999 NO, PMD

14:03

Admit Time ER MD

Unit Number

0001189969

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Guarantor

BAYSAVEVA, RITA

40 WEST 159 STREET

NEW YORK

NY 10026

Home Phone

(212)828-2188

Business Phone

Rel:

S SS: 091-88-5231

Occ: Employer Home Phone: (347)784-4196

Rel: D

Business Phone:

Insurance Information

Ins: CHARITY CARE ALLOWANCE

insured: BAYSAVEVA, RITA

Policy Number:

Group Number:

Rel:

Phone Number

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Ins: NO FAULT

insured:

BAYSAVEVA, RITA

Policy Number: PENDING NO FA

Group Number:

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Phone Number

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Auth Number

Patient Name BAYSAVEVA, RITA

Account Number 0800401218

History of Present Illness

Medical Record No. Date 1/4/2008

ID 0800401218

Lutheran Medical Center

Emergency Department Record

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Account Number 0800401218



Date 1/4/2008

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MD Initials	Time	Order	RN Initials Time Location-Response-Quantity RN Remarks
BS	14:22	Compazine 10 mg PO	mte 14:47
BS	14:22	Motrin 600mg PO	mte 14:47
EHL	16:07	RN LOS 3	EHL 16:07

MD Procedures	<u>-</u>	
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Recommended LOS/CPT/ICD-9 Codes

Physician's LOS = 4 99284-25

Nurse's LOS = 3 611 APC

14:43

Diagnoses	
Head Trauma	959.01 ICD-9
occipital hematoma	

RN Notifications			
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Dr simmons	16:06	1	16.10

12/30/1899

14:43

mte

Admit to RN Date/ MD **MD** Time RN Time Disposition BS 14:18 Discharge Home mte 1/4/2008 14:18 Improved

Condition BS

Simmons, Bonnie DO

Other Physicians Simmons, Bonnie DO~

Physician (Print) Physician Signature

Patient Name BAYSAVEVA, RITA
Account Number 0800401218

Primary RN (Print) espinoza,mirtha

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Medical Record No. 0001189969

Date 1/4/2008

Other Nurses

Freeburn, Wendy L, RN~valis, marian~Dones, Edwin~Lewis Boateng, Erma H, RN~

This chart has been electronically signed via the EmpowER software.

Patient Name BAYSAVEVA, RITA

Account Number 0800401218

Medical Record Number 0001189969

Date 1/4/2008

Lutheran Medical Center Emergency Department

Discharge Instructions

Discharge Date/Time 1/4/2008 4:07:21 PM

Diagnoses	Additional instructions were given on the following conditions:	
Head Trauma		
You have been evaluated today by an independent healthcare provider practicing Emergency Medicine. In most cases follow-up care is recommended with your regular Doctor, HMO or Clinic. Within 2 days Doctor HMO Clinic Call for appointment as soon as possible. IDENTIFY Yourself as an ER Patient. If you don't have a doctor or need a specialist follow up with: Physician/Specialist Sunset Park FHC - Medicine Address Sunset Park FHC - Medicine Station 12 150 55th	Abdominal Pain Allergic Reaction/ Rash Asthma/ Wheezing/COPD Back Pain Chest Pain Conjunctivitis Corneal Abrasion/Eye Injury Fever Fracture/Sprain/Contusion Gastritis/Ulcer Head Injury Headache High Blood Pressure Kidney Stone Make Strain Nose Bleed Middle Ear Infection PID/STD Sore Throat/Pharyngitis Threatened Abortion Upper Respiratory Infection Vaginal Bleeding Vomiting/Diarrhea Wound Care/Sutures	tion
Phone (718) 630-7942		
Additional Instructions:	Work/School Restriction:	
If the symptoms worsen or new symptoms develop return to the Emergency Department (ED) immediately. Call your doctor for additional questions. ED phone number:	You may return to work/school today. You may not return to work/school until:	
return immed if sxs worsen otherwise follow up with your own doctor or our clinic	If you had x-rays or blood tests, please note that these don't always show what's wrong. Sometimes x-rays don't show broken bones. After review by a specialist you will be notification there is an abnormality.	
ice pack to occipital area for swelling and motrin for pain. PATIENT HAS PRIVATE PHYSICIAN.	You may not drive or operate heavy machinery because the medicines you have may make you sleepy.	;
Physician (Print) Simmons, Bonnie DO Nurse Si X	gnature: Patient Signature	

Patient Name BAYSAVEVA, RITA

Account Number 0800401218

Medical Record No. 0001189969

Date 1/4/2008

Lutheran Medical Center

Emergency Department Nursing Notes and Vital Signs

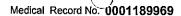
TimeEntered: 1/4/2008 16:01 Vitals Taken By: EHL Temperature Pulse **Blood Pressure** Respirations Pulse Ox Pain Scale 0 99.1 Right 83 129/71 20 99% 1 - mild Т Left L R

Nursing Not	tes			
Time Note Entered		RN Initials	Note	
1/4/2008	14:47	mte	PT ALERT AND OX3 SKIN WARM, LUNGS CLEAR BIL. 4 E. NAUSEAS, DENIES DIZZNESS OR HEADACHE, C/O OF W MD ORDERED	XTREMITIES +ROM , C/O OF EAKNESS, MEDS GIVEN AS
1/4/2008	15:53	EHL	Pt denies pain at this time condition is stable. Re-evaluated tordered. See Md orders for discharge instructions. Pt is wait member.	by Md and s'cd home as ing to be pick up by family
1/4/2008	16:02	EHL	Pt left with her daughter , ambulates with steady gait. Discharged.	arge instructions given as
Primary Nurse Diag	nosis		Primary Nurse Outcome	Achieved
See nurses notes			See nurses notes	Yes
Primary RN (Print)	espinoza	a.mirtha		

Lutheran Medical Center Triage

Category 3 - Potentially lif

Triage Date/Time Waiting Rm Time	Exam Rm Time Triag	ge Nurse Patient Name
1/4/2008 13:02	13:05 Free	burn, Wendy L, RN BAYSAVEVA,RITA
PCP Staff Status Family Physician	Transported by Mode	Medical Record Number
Not on Staff Non LMC Physician	FDNY Ambulance Stretche	o001189969
Historian Police Dept		Account Number
	lotification Beat #	0800401218
Chief Complaint head pain	Onset Time Location	DOB 10/28/1961
	1 Hour(s) Street	Age 46 Years
Associated Sxs / Pertinent Histor		
Pt BIBA on stretcher s/p struck by slow moving fully immobilized, seen by Dr. Simmons upon a	vehicle, denies LOC, c/o pain to occiput, hem	national noted Dt
·		Vitals
Past Medical Histor Additional:		Tem
No Significant PMHx		Oral 97.5
	ancer 🗟 CHF 🕫 CVA	Rectal
B DM B HTN Psych ■ Renal	Seizures	Tympanic
Medications		Pulse
✓ No Meds ☐ Unknown		Right 75
		Left
Allergies	Immunizations L	Respirations
No Known Drug Allergies	TB Hx, PPD Pos	18
	or Exposures?	No Blood Pressure
	*If yes to TB or take precautions	Infectious question Right 147/92
Mental Status / Psychological Eval	The state of the s	Left
mental Status // // Sychological Eval	Glascow.Coma Scale OB/Gyn	\$
	Eye LNMP	2 weeks ago
Lung Sounds Eyes R L	Verbal	97%
R L Equal	Motor G P	Ab Miscarriages
Clear Reactive	Total	80 Kg
	Skin	Head
	Skin Pulses	Height Circumference
	Color	5'6'
Rales Dilated Dilated	Temp	Pain Scale
Rhonchi @ Cataract @ @	Moist	3 - moderate
Retractions S S		The state of the s
Nutrition	Domestic Violence Assessment	Assessing Patient's, Child's or Parent's
	Are you being hurt by someone you live	readiness to learn
(CAUCIA)	with or who takes care of you?	Primary Language English
Fall Risk Assessment	Yes/No No * Mandatory completion of	Assessed Disability No Disability
No Fall Risks Identified	Domestic Violence Referral.	Communication Barrier
Plan		 Language Translator 📳
CTrmt Time 13:05	Functional D/C Planning	
Triage Nurse: Freeburn, Wendy L. RN	Daily Living Independent	Motivation Level High
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Living Conditions Family	Knowledge Level High
Triage II:		Comprehension Ability High
Triage III: mte	Going Home with Self	
LWBS LW Completed Tx/ Elopeo		ent Rights and Responsibilities and Guide to Pain agement given to Patient, Family, and/or Caretaker



Account Number 0800401218

1/4/2008

Emergency Department Pharmacy and Supply Charges

Interventions			
Intervention Name	Comments	Charge Code	
Compazine 10 mg PO		0	
Motrin 600mg PO		0	
RN LOS 3			

Nurse LOS

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611 APC

Charge Code

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Order #6218654P (CT C-SPINE W/O CONTRAST) Result Date: 2008-01-04 13:59:00.0

RESULT TEXT:

DIFF TYPE: CT-TRAUMA ROOMExam Start: 01/04/2008 14:30

Exam Stop: 01/04/2008 14:30Films Used: * NoneRead By: JS10952 JEN-FONG SHEN

RADIOLOGIST

Released By: JS10952 JEN-FONG SHEN RADIOLOGISTStudy CT of cervical spine

History/ TRAUMA

Multiple axial sections of spine were obtained from C1 to T1 at 2.5mm

intervals.

Finding

No evidence of acute fracture or dislocation is seen.

No significant spinal stenosis is noted.

The spinal curvature is normal. There is no definite bony destruction.

Impression

No evidence of acute fracture or dislocation.

Transcriptionist- JEN-FONG SHEN, RADIOLOGIST

Reading Radiologist- JEN-FONG SHEN, RADIOLOGIST

Releasing Radiologist- JEN-FONG SHEN, RADIOLOGIST

Released Date Time- 01/04/08 1404

Order #6218655P (CT CRANIAL W/O INFUSION) Result Date: 2008-01-04 13:57:00.0

RESULT TEXT:

DIFF TYPE: CT-TRAUMA ROOMExam Start: 01/04/2008 14:30

Exam Stop: 01/04/2008 14:30Films Used: * NoneRead By: JS10952 JEN-FONG SHEN

RADIOLOGIST

Released By: JS10952 JEN-FONG SHEN RADIOLOGISTStudy CT of head

History/ TRAUMA

Multiple axial sections of head were obtained without contrast injection.

There is slight soft tissue swelling at left parietal scalp.

The ventricles and subarachnoid space are normal in size.

No evidence of space occupying lesion or hemorrhage is seen. There is no midline shift.

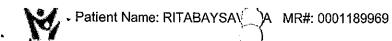
The sella/suprasellar area, posterior fossa and foramen magnum are unremarkable.

There is no significant mucosal thickening in the paranasal sinuses. The visualized orbits are unremarkable. The bony structures are intact. Impression

Slight soft tissue swelling at left parietal scalp.

Unremarkable study of head.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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RITA BAYTSAYEVA,

Plaintiff,

Index No:

- against -

09-CV-4874

MAKSIM SHAPIRO, SVETLANA ZIS,

Defendants.

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5 Hanover Square New York, New York March 22, 2010 10:20 a.m.

EXAMINATION BEFORE TRIAL OF ANDREA ROSE, s/h/a
RITA BAYTSAYEVA, the Plaintiff, pursuant to Court
Order, taken at the above place, date and time,
before MARIA CIRILLO, a Notary Public within and
for the State of New York.

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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	born in?	2	United States did you have some sort of a
3	A. Vladikauz,	3	visa which allowed you to move here?
4	Q. Do you know how that is spelled?	4	A. Yes.
5	A. V-l-a-d-i-k-a-u-z,	5	Q. What type of visa was that?
6	MR. O'CONNELL: Off the record.	6	A. I believe it was kind of 92 white
7	(Discussion of the record.)	7	card they call it.
8	Q. Could you spell the province or	8	Q. And prior to your being a U.S.
و	whatever Republic you may have been born	9	citizen were you authorized to work in the
10	because the court reporter will need that,	10	United States?
11	A. Yes, short way is RSO/Alania,	11	
12	A-l-a-n-i-a.	12	A. Yes.
13		13	Q. And do you happen to remember the
14	Q. And at the time was that part of	Į.	number of that visa, if you had one?
15	the Union of Soviet Socialist Republic?	14	A. No. But I have my old passport,
16	A. Yes.	15	I don't know if that has any. I don't know.
17	Q. And it looks as though you have	16	Q. That is fine. Do you currently
18	recently undergone a name change, when did	17	have a United States passport?
19	your name change to Andrea Rose?	18	A. Yes.
II -	A. I applied for citizenship	19	Q. Do you happen to know the number
20	probably 2005 and 2009 I had my hearing April	20	of that passport?
21	so it was 2009. Maybe February.	21	A. No.
22	Q. That is when your name changed?	22	Q. Do you remember approximately
23	A. Yes.	23	when the U.S. passport may have been issued?
24	Q. And are you a U.S. citizen?	24	 A. Oh yes, that was 2009 October.
25	A. Yes.	25	MR. DRUYAN: I will note for the
	7		9
1	A. Rose	1.	A. Rose
2	Q. And what time were you sworn in	2	record I believe we submitted a copy of
3	as a U.S. citizen?	3	the passport to you.
4	A. Can you repeat?	4	MR. O'CONNELL: I do know that I
5	Q. When were you sworn in as a U.S.	5	saw a copy of her previous passport. I
6	citizen?	6	don't know if we have the United States
7	A. 2009.	7	
8	Q. In February?	8	one. We may. I just may not know
9	A. Yeah.	9	offhand. I believe I saw a passport
10	Q. Okay. And when you became a U.S.	10	from either the U.S.S.R. or whatever
11	citizen your name changed?	11	prior republic may have been.
12	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	1	Q. Do you currently possess a
13		12	driver's license?
14	Q. And what was your name prior to	13	A. Nothing in the United States.
15	the name change?	14	Nothing.
16	A. Prior name was Rita Baytsayeva.	1.5	Q. Do you possess any sort of New
17	Q. And is that the name under which	16	York State identification?
18	this lawsuit was commenced, if you know?	17	A. Yes, Yes, I do. I am not sure
19	A. Yes.	18	if I have it with me.
20	Q. And what is your Social Security	19	Q. Okay. Do you happen to know the
	number?	20	number of the identification?
21	A. 091-88-5231.	21	A. No.
22 23	Q. And when did you move to the	22	Q. Do you have it with you now?
	United States?	23	A. Maybe I do. I don't know.
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24 25	A. 1998. Maybe 1999. Q. And when you first move to the	24 25	Q. If you wouldn't mind checking please I would appreciate that.

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	14		16
1	A. Rose	1	A Dana
2	Q. And what is your current height?	2	A. Rose
~ ~	A. Five-four.	3	from your children? A. No one.
4	Q. And at the time of this incident	4	
5	was your height that also?	5	Q. And if you can just briefly
6	A. Yeah.	6	describe your educational background for me please?
7	Q. Okay. And sorry to have to ask	7	'
8	this, what is your current weight?	8	A. Um, okay. From Russia I have high school and college. Here I have
وَ ا	A. Yeah, well, 190. Yes, 190.	9	associate's degree and some college. I
10	Q. And on the date of the accident	10	didn't finish college.
11	what was your approximate weight?	11	
12	A. I believe 175,	12	Q. In Russia do you remember what college you attended?
13	Q. And are your children United	13	A. Yes. Well, it is called like a
14	States citizens?	14	trade college, Soviet trade college. I don't
15	A. Yes.	15	know how to translate it. But my occupation
16	Q. Do you remember approximately	16	was technology of production of the food.
17	when they each of them became a United States	17	Q. Do you remember if you earned a
18	citizen?	18	degree from that college in Russia?
19	A. Marianna became a year later or	19	A. Yeah. I am technician of the
20	six months later after my citizenship so it	20	technology of food production. That is the
21	is going to be something like actually I	21	way I translate it.
22	don't remember,	22	Q. Okay. That is fine. In the
23	MR. DRUYAN: If you don't	23	United States what colleges, if any, have you
24	remember just say it.	24	attended?
25	A. I don't remember, she came after	25	A. ASA College of Excellence it is
	15		17
1	A. Dane	-	A D
2	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
3	me. MR. DRUYAN: Good.	2 3	called. That is the name of the college.
4	Q. That is fine. And Alel and	4	Q. I am sorry, what is the name? A. ASA Institute of Excellence.
5	Sarmat do you remember approximately when	5	
6	they may have become U.S. citizens?	6	Q. And when did you attend that college?
7	A. They were under 18 years old they	7	A. Maybe 2002 and 2004.
8	granted citizenship with me but we still not	8	Q. Did you also attend in 2003?
9	applied because it cost money I don't have.	9	A. Yes.
10	Q. And at the current address that	10	Q. And did you earn a degree from
11	you live at, how long have you lived there?	11	that institute?
12	A. Five years.	12	A. Yes, associate's degree medical
13	Q. And do you rent or own?	13	assistant.
14	A. It is rent.	14	Q. What sort of work does that
15	Q. And so just to be clear, that is	15	degree prepare you to perform?
16	where you lived at the time of this accident?	1.6	A. Well, we can work everywhere
17	A. Yes.	17	health care providers. But I did internship
18	Q. The apartment unit 9G, is that	18	in a doctor's office. Prepared patient for
19	the same apartment unit you have lived in for	19	diagnosis and all kind of treatment. We do
20	about five years?	20	vital signs, echocardiogram, ultrasound,
21	A. Yes.	21	specimen like a blood and urine specimen to
22	 Q. And aside from your children does 	22	provided these things.
23	anyone else currently live with you?	23	Q. And are you currently a student
24	A. No.	24	at all?
25	Q. On the date of the accident aside	25	A. I withdraw. Yeah, I wish I would

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is about 3, sometimes 2.9, but over 3, B plus

I earn, B minus, sometimes A, sometimes F.

you ever been a plaintiff in a personal

Q. And aside from this lawsuit have

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injury lawsuit?

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MR. DRUYAN: Yeah.

semester in 2008, did your course work

consist of doing any lab work?

know, to do something, right?

During your classes in that

No. Lab work you mean -- I don't

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1	A. Rose	1.	A. Rose
2	the accident?	2	A. Yes, each corner there is
3	A. Well, yeah, it was coldest	3	stoplights.
4	coldest day of January. Very cold.	4	Q. Were you in the street or on the
5	Q. Do you remember if it was raining	5	sidewalk when this accident occurred?
6	or snowing at all?	6	A. We were crossing street. We were
7	 A. No, it wasn't raining or snowing, 	7	on the street, middle of the street.
8	no. It was just very cold day.	8	Q. Do you remember what direction
9	Q. Do you remember if it was	9	you were traveling in at that time?
10	overcast, sunny or something else?	10	A. Yes. But here on one corner is
11	A. It wasn't really sunny. It is	11	the doctor's office, the office she went.
12	like normal day. It wasn't cloudy. It was	12	Here is the pizzeria so we were walking from
13	very sunny.	13	my direction towards I don't know how if
14	MR. DRUYAN: Excuse me, you are	1.4	you stay this way it is going to be east,
15	moving around, would you want to take a	15	from west to east. I don't know.
16	break, go to the ladies room?	16	Q. Do you know what direction such
17	THE WITNESS: Okay.	17	as north you may have been walking in?
18	MR. DRUYAN: You want to walk	18	 A. Towards east side maybe walking.
19	around a little bit?	19	I am not good.
20	THE WITNESS: Yes.	20	Q. If you don't know that is okay
21	MR. O'CONNELL: Okay. No	21	too.
22	problem.	22	 A. Yes, I am going to say I don't
23	(Whereupon, a short recess was	23	know. I am not good to describe the location
24 25	taken.)	24	thing.
	Q. Okay. Do you remember what	25	Q. Do you remember approximately how
	31		33
1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	street you were walking on when this accident	2	many feet from the sidewalk you were at the
3	occurred?	3	time of the accident? Meaning you were on
4	 A. Bath Avenue. We were crossing 	4	the sidewalk and stepped into the street, do
5	Bath Avenue.	5	you know approximately how many feet you had
6	Q. And the intersection where this	6	traveled?
7	accident occurred, have you ever been at that	7	 We cross almost the whole street.
8	intersection before?	8	We were almost to the other side where the
_	A. Yes.	9	cross line go but feet, again I don't know
10	Q. Do you know approximately how	10	maybe five, ten. I don't have a good image
11 12	many times?	11	to, you know.
13	All the time. I usually walk through that cross section to work three	12 13	Q. If you are not sure that is fine.
14	times a week. Three times a week.	14	A. I just know that we were almost crossing the cross line, white line in the
15	Q. Was that on your way to and from	15	
16	work or during work?	16	middle of the street. We were either there or a little bit further there. That is how I
17	A. Yes. To and from, yeah.	17	remember.
18	Q. And would you be able to describe	18	Q. When you say "there" do you mean
19	for me any traffic controls at the	19	you were almost to the other sidewalk you
20	intersection such as stoplights, stop signs	20	were attempting to reach?
21	or anything like that?	21	A. Yes.
22	A. There is a light like cross	22	Q. And were you walking in the
23	section lights, how do you call them? Yes,	23	crosswalk at the time of the accident?
24	stoplight that is the way they call?	24	A. Uh-huh.
25	Q. Yes.	25	Q. And do you recollect what color
	ζ. 103.		Q. And do you recollect what color

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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	understand your question. If the vehicle	2	Q. When you first saw the vehicle at
3	used the lights, yes. It was her light too.	3	that corner, do you know approximately how
4	It was for the turn. For the turn it was her	4	far the vehicle was from you?
5	light too.	5	A. Maybe 50 feet, maybe 20 feet. I
6	Q. Do you know if the vehicle had a	6	don't know.
7	green light to travel or was there another	7	Q. And in the 24 hours prior to this
8	color light controlling its movement?	8	accident had you consumed any alcohol?
9	A. Probably green, yes. Maybe she	9	A. Oh, no.
10	had green light. Don't know.	10	Q. And at the time of this accident,
11	Q. The cross street that the vehicle	11	did you have any prescription medications
12	was traveling from, do you know if in	12	that you were supposed to take?
13	addition to its regular traffic lanes had a	13	A. No.
14	specific left turn lane for her to turn?	14	Q. And had you taken any other sort
15	A. No, I don't understand.	15	of nonprescription medication or narcotic in
16	Q. Well, for example, my question is	16	the 24 hours prior to this incident?
17	there are some streets that have regular	17	A. No.
18	traffic lanes and some that will have an	18	Q. Do you remember approximately
19	additional lane for people making turns.	19	what time you woke up on the day of this
20	A. No. No, this is just regular	20	incident?
21	cross section, no.	21	MR. DRUYAN: Objection. I think
22	Q. And do you remember how long	22	she woke up twice if she was
23	prior to the impact you first saw the	23	unconscious.
24	vehicle?	24	MR. O'CONNELL: No, no. I am
25	A. I am not good at estimating	25	asking the morning of the incident when
	39		41
1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	things. I don't know, maybe minute, maybe,	2	she first got up.
3	maybe two minutes. I don't know, it was	3	MR. DRUYAN: That is what I am
4	really fast.	4	saying.
5	Q. I know you mentioned it was a	5	A. I woke up early 6:00.
6	silver minivan; is that correct?	6	Q. You woke up approximately
7	A. Yes.	7	6:00 a.m.?
8	Q. Would you be able to offer me any	8	A. Yes.
9	other description of the vehicle in addition	9	Q. And prior to the incident that
10	to that?	10	day, had you eaten anything?
1.1	A. No. I am not good, you know,	11	A. Yeah.
12	what type of car it was. I don't know. It	12	Q. Do you remember what you ate?
13	is a minivan, big and silver color.	13	A. I ate bagel. Morning I usually
14	Q. Okay. I believe you testified a	14	ate bagel, cream cheese.
15	moment ago that you saw the vehicle for one	15	Q. Do you remember approximately
16	to two minutes prior to the impact; is that	16	what time that may have been?
17	correct?	1.7	A. Around 9:00.
18	A. Yeah.	18	Q. And I believe you testified a few
19	Q. Do you know approximately how far	19	moments ago that you traveled through the
20	away from you the vehicle may have been when	20	intersection approximately three times a
21	you first saw it?	21	week; is that correct?
22	A. First I saw probably I saw her	22	A. Yeah. More than three times if
23	on the corner. Just on the corner when she	23	you count exactly sometimes I go to shop to
24	reached the corner from the crosswalk. She	24	this specific place. So be six times but
	was still behind us. How far it was?	25	three times, yeah. It is very common place.

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three times, yeah. It is very common place.

was still behind us. How far it was?

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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	Q. Do you remember what type of	2	electronic devices such as a BlackBerry or
3	doctor he was?	3	anything?
4	 A. Yeah, podiatrist, foot doctor. 	4	A. No.
5	Q. A podiatrist?	5	Q. Were you wearing headphones and
6	A. Yeah, podiatrist.	6	listening to music?
7	Q. And approximately how long were	7	A. No.
8	you at the doctor's office prior to the	8	Q. And do you wear glasses or any
9	accident?	9	type of corrective lenses?
10	 Maybe 40 minutes, 30 minutes. 	10	A. No.
11	Q. And I believe you first woke up	11	Q. Do you remember approximately the
12	that day at approximately 6:00 a.m.; is that	12	time of the last eye exam that you had prior
13	correct?	13	to this accident?
14	A. Uh-huh.	14	A. Probably the summer 2008 no,
15	 Q. Do you remember approximately how 	15	no, just 2007 before that summer.
16	many hours you slept before waking up at	16	 Q. And at the eye exam did they
17	6:00 a.m.?	17	mention any problems with your vision?
18	A. We usually go to bed 11:00. So	18	A. No.
19	it is going to be how many hours? Seven.	19	Q. And I believe you mentioned that
20	Q. Okay. That is fine. And do you	20	Ms. Pildish, P-i-l-d-i-s-h, that she was
21	remember what clothes you were wearing on the	21	using a walker; is that correct?
22	day of the accident?	22	A. That is correct.
23	A. Yeah. I had the winter coat very	23	Q. Did you need to assist her with
24	heavy like furry. I don't know how you call	24	using the walker at all?
25	that. And I have sneakers. I had simple	25	A. I don't have to touch her
	47		49
1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	clothing. I had a hat. That is all.	2	directly. She walks by herself. But I do
3	 Q. Did your hat block your vision at 	3	have to assist her too in case something like
4	all?	4	well, I didn't exactly was my obligation
5	A. No.	5	to do, walk straight, to look down or up,
6	Q. And you mentioned you were	6	things like that. I don't have to hold her
7	wearing a winter coat, do you remember	7	under arm or something.
8	approximately how far down your legs that	8	Q. So Ms. Pildish when she used a
9	coat goes?	9	walker didn't need assistance from you; is
10 11	A. Yes, all the way to my calf,	10	that correct?
12	long.	11 12	A. That is correct.
13	Q. To your calf. The shoes that you	l	Q. If she ever had to walk up any
14	were wearing, do you remember approximately	13 14	stairs would you ever have to assist her?
15	how old they were? A. Yeah, they were old. They were a	15	A. Yes.
16	year old probably, maybe more.	16	Q. And when the accident occurred do you remember where Ms. Pildish was compared
17	Q. And at the time of the accident	17	to you, for example, was she in front of you,
18	were you carrying anything such as a purse or	18	to your left or some other place?
19	anything else?	19	A. She was just one feet in front of
20	A. I don't remember. Maybe I had my	20	me on my left side. On my left side.
21	purse. I should have.	21	Q. The vehicle that struck you, do
22	Q. And at the time of the accident	22	you remember which direction it came from,
23	were you using a cellular phone?	23	for example, your left, your right or another
24	A. No.	24	direction?
25	Q. Were you using any other	25	A. Yes, from my right. From my
			The root from my nighter from my

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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	A. I was thrown back to the	2	American. I don't know nothing else.
3	beginning of the crosswalk. Almost so there	3	Q. What, if anything, may he have
4	would be how many feet, probably six, seven.	4	said to you, if you remember?
5	Q. You think you may have been	5	A. He told me they called ambulance
6	pushed approximately six or seven feet; is	6	already.
7	that accurate?	7	Q. Do you know who may have called
8	A. Uh-huh.	8	the ambulance?
9	Q. And when you were pushed back	9	A. I believe he did.
10	that distance were you in the air at any	10	Q. And I am sorry if I asked you
11	point?	11	this, do you know that person's name?
12	A. Yes. I flipped on my head and	12	A. No.
13	in the air?	13	Q. Did he wait with you until the
14	Q. Were you in the air at any point,	14	ambulance got there?
15	for example, did your feet leave the ground	15	A. Yes. Yes, they were still there.
16	at any point?	16	Q. Was your head bleeding at all?
17	A. Yes.	17	 A. There was little cut but bleed
18	Q. Do you know approximately how far	18	like, no. Hematoma, no. Little bleed I
19	off the ground you may have gone?	19	found on my head.
20	 A. Off the ground I fell on my head 	20	Q. So, I am sorry, were you bleeding
21	like this so I don't know.	21	or not?
22	 Q. When you landed did your head hit 	22	 A. Not bleeding like bleeding, no.
23	the ground?	23	I wasn't bleeding on the floor or something,
24	A. Yes.	24	no.
25	Q. Do you remember what part of your	25	Q. Did you have any cuts on your
	55		57
1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	head may have hit the ground?	2	head?
3	A. Right back here, this particular	3	A. Yes, cuts I meant. Yeah, I had
4	part they call this the back of head	4	cut.
5	(indicating).	5	Q. And did you have any bumps on
6	 Q. And did you lose consciousness at 	6	your head at that time?
7	any point?	7	A. Yes.
8	A. I wasn't sure. I don't know. At	8	Q. Could you describe those bumps
9	some point I saw the man standing on top of	9	for me?
10	me and my head was under my head they put	10	 A. Yes, a huge from all the way here
11	somebody put his scarf, that is a moment I	11	almost I had bigger like that (indicating).
12	don't remember. I assuming I was kind of	12	It was big area so you can feel with your
13	unconscious. I don't know how long. I was	13	hand because small area you would define like
14	confused whatever it was. I just don't	14	this (indicating). What the big all around
15	remember how it happened.	15	in the head feeling other the core and it is
16	 Q. Do you remember approximately how 	16	like rising (indicating).
17	much time may have elapsed between the impact	17	Q. Do you remember approximately how
18	and your looking up at that man?	18	big the bump may have been?
19	A. No.	19	 A. Like that (indicating) ten maybe,
20	Q. When you say that man do you know	20	ten centimeters.
21	that person's name?	21	MR. DRUYAN: Want to stipulate it
22	A. No.	22	looks like four inches? You may have a
23	Q. Would you be able to describe	23	ruler in the office.
24	that person for me?	24	MR. O'CONNELL: Right.
25	A. He is in his middle-age man.	25	A For me I get use to count

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1	A. Rose	1	A. Dogo
	Q. Okay. Did you have any problems	2	A. Rose
3	with your vision at this time?	3	together she said my walker fly all the way. I don't know where it is. Some people
4	A. Not directly, no. That time, no.	4	brought her that walker. I know from her
5	Q. Do you know if the driver had any	5	words but I don't know.
6	passengers in her vehicle?	6	Q. Do you know how far the walker
7	A. Seemed to me she was alone.	7	may have flown?
8	Q. And do you remember approximately	8	A. No.
وا	how long it took for the ambulance to get	9	Q. Did you leave the walker there at
10	there?	10	the intersection or was it brought with you
11	A. I remember when I thought it was	11	in the ambulance?
12	pretty long maybe an hour. I don't know.	12	A. I don't know.
13	Q. You think it may have been an	13	Q. Did you have your hands on the
14	hour or you are not sure?	14	walker at all at the time of the incident?
15	A. I think maybe it will be hour,	15	A. Yes.
16	yes.	16	Q. And which hands, if any?
17	Q. And during this time do you know	17	A. My right hand.
18	where Ms. Pildish was?	18	Q. Your right hand was on the
19	A. No.	19	walker?
20	Q. Did you inquire about her at all?	20	A. Yes.
21	A. Yes. I heard she was screaming.	21	Q. And what part of the walker was
22	She was arguing with the girl, that is what I	22	it on?
23	know she is there.	23	A. Okay. It was the right side of
24	Q. Do you remember what she may have	24	the walker is kind of key shape like that so
25	said during that argument?	25	left side where she hold I try to like
	63		65
1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	A. Yeah, she was cursing. She was	2	protect the part. I don't know. I don't
3	cursing her.	3	remember. I don't remember.
4	Q. Do you know what the driver may	4	Q. Did you have your hands on Ms.
5	have said in the response?	5	Pildish's body at the time of the accident?
6	A. Yes. I heard, she said it was my	6	A. No. That was in my mind should I
7	light. At this point I was like oh, my God.	7	pick her up, should I tear her away. What
8	Q. Do you know if Ms. Pildish was on	8	should I do. And I couldn't estimate my
9	the ground, standing or in some other	9	ability to hold her. Because she had a hip
10	position?	10	fracture and I was aware of that, if I drop
11	A. That I don't know.	11	her directly I might not be able to hold her
12	Q. Do you know if the vehicle struck	12	and I could drop her or something. So I know
13	her walker at all?	13	for sure I didn't touch her because of that.
14	A. Walker?	14	I was aware of that.
15	Q. Yes.	15	Q. She had a hip fracture prior to
16	A. Yeah. Yes. Walker was struck,	16	this incident?
1.7	yes.	17	A. Yes.
18	Q. Did it also strike Ms. Pildish's	18	Q. And do you know if the vehicle
19	body at all?	19	that struck you sustained any damage from
20	A. This I don't know.	20	this accident?
21	Q. And do you remember if the walker	21	A. I don't know.
22	was damaged in any way from this accident?	22	Q. And where were you traveling with
23	 A. I don't know. Just ripped from 	23	Ms. Pildish at the time of accident, for
24	my hands and I don't know after that. Well,	24	example, were you going back to her house or
25	later on she told me, we in ambulance	25	somewhere else?

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1	A. Dano	7	A D
	A. Rose	1 2	A. Rose
2	treatment after the accident. When the		me.
3 4	ambulance arrived do you remember how many	3	Q. But between the time when the
	ambulance personnel there were?	4	ambulance arrived and when they placed you in
5	A. I remember lady. There was lady.	5	the ambulance, do you know approximately how
6	Q. Okay. Do you know if she was by	6	long that may have been?
7	herself, did she have any other worker?	7	A. It was quick. It wasn't long.
8	A. She had another worker. They	8	They just transferred me right away.
9	were communicating with each other. I just	9	Q. And when you were moved into the
10	didn't see anybody.	10	ambulance did they do anything to stabilize
11	Q. Do you remember if it was a man	11	your neck or head?
12	or woman?	12	A. Yeah, they did. I remember now
13	A. Probably man, yeah.	13	somebody they wearing this plastic thing.
14	Q. The lady ambulance worker, would	14	Q. So they put some plastic around
15	you be able to describe her for me at all?	15	your neck to stabilize your neck?
16	A. No.	16	A. Yes.
17	Q. Do you remember anything that she	17	Q. And when you were moved into the
18	may have said to you?	18	ambulance did they lift you, were you able to
19	A. No. She just give me some	19	get up or how did it occur?
20	instruction like she give me ice on my head,	20	A. I wasn't able to get up. They
21	ice pack. And she make me take off the coat,	21	put me on something. I don't know, they have
22	otherwise she said they going to cut.	22	quite good things, mechanical things or they
23	Probably to take blood pressure or something.	23	pull me into the carriage thing.
24	That is all.	24	Q. Did they put you in a wheelchair
25	Q. Do you remember anything you may	25	to move you into the ambulance?
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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	have said to her?	2	A. No, not wheelchair. It is like a
3	A. Oh, I told her don't give me	3	bed with wheels. I don't know how it is
4	anything like make me unconscious. Something	4	called. Even I am in nursing program still.
5	I was I said to not give me anything	5	Q. Is it possible the word stretcher
6	strong, right, no medication. She said she	6	might be a good description of what they put
7	is not going to do.	7	you on or would it be something else?
8	Q. Did she ask you if you felt any	8	A. Maybe, maybe. It wasn't
9	pain?	9	wheelchair. It would be sitting kind of
10	A. I don't remember, no. I was	10	chair. Here you were laying down.
11	answering a lot of questions. I don't know	11	Q. And whatever device they put you
12	if she asked me. I answered probably. I	12	on that you were laying on, did you remain on
13	don't know. I don't remember.	13	that device when you were in the ambulance?
14	Q. After the ambulance arrived do	14	A. Yes.
15	you remember how long you remained on the	15	Q. Did they give you any medications
16	ground?	16	while you were in the ambulance?
17	A. No. They pick me up quite soon	17	A. I don't remember. I just
18	after that to the ambulance. But in	18	remember telling her don't give me strong
19	ambulance we were staying again quite long	19	something. And she gave me just ice she
20	period of time. And Ms. Pildish was in there	20	said. Ice pack on my head and she checked
21	but then they took her to the ambulance also.	21	the blood pressure something. She requested
22	And my count was so long it was my perception	22	me to take of whatever it is, I was in a
23	probably. I wanted sooner. I don't know.	23	heavy coat and she pulled my arm to take the
24	Seemed to me long. I don't know, we were	24	blood pressure. That is all I remember.
25	still staying and the police were questioning	25	Q. Do you remember if there were any
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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	(Whereupon, a short recess was	2	Q. Do you remember approximately how
3	taken.)	3	long you were at the hospital?
4	 Q. And when you arrived at the 	4	A. Until the night, yeah, evening,
5	hospital, do you know how long you had to	5	it already was dark.
6	wait before you received any treatment from	6	Q. Do you remember approximately
7	the hospital personnel?	7	what time you may have left the hospital?
8	 More than 10 minutes probably. 	8	A. Maybe 6:00 p.m.
9	 Q. And do you remember who you first 	9	Q. And how did you get home?
10	spoke to at the hospital, for example, a	10	 A. My daughter came for me so she
11	nurse, a doctor or somebody else?	11	took me home.
12	 There was some young man who was 	12	 Q. And did they give you any walking
13	asking about my insurance things. Then	13	devices such as cane or anything else?
14	doctor came so I talked to the doctor first.	14	A. No. She didn't diagnose me for
15	Q. What did you say to him?	15	concussion which usually they do if there is
16	A. I told him she asked me where	16	a head trauma. She didn't do anything. And
17	the pain and everything and I said my head.	17	I didn't want to leave the hospital because I
18	Q. Do you remember the doctor's	18	knew I was vomiting there. I got a blackout
19	name?	19	when they told me I don't have basically
20	A. No.	20	they scan me for if there is a bleeding
21	 Q. At the hospital did they take any 	21	inside of the brain and she said there is no
22	X-rays or MRI films of you?	22	bleeding. But I couldn't hold myself I told
23	A. They took C scan no, not	23	her, I don't see. My eyes are black, I see
24	yeah, C scan, CT scan.	24	just black and vomiting.
25	Q. They take a CT scan of your head?	25	Q. You vomited at the hospital?
	79		81
1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	A. Yes.	2	A. Yes.
3	Q. Any other films that were taken?	3	Q. Approximately how many times, if
4	A. No.	4	you remember?
5	 Q. And what, if any, other treatment 	5	A. Two times.
б	did you receive at the hospital?	6	Q. And you had some vision problems
7	 A. They give me some painkillers. 	7	at the hospital; is that correct?
8	Q. Were those prescription	8	A. Yes.
9	painkillers or nonprescription?	9	Q. And would you be able to describe
10	A. I don't know. She gave it to me	10	those problems?
11	and said that is going to help you and if I	11	 A. The nurse came to me and say you
12	want to go home I could go home.	12	can get up and move and I said I can't lift
1.3	Q. Did they diagnose you with any	13	myself. She assisted and that is when I saw
14	injuries at the hospital?	14	black everything, my eyes opened, I could not
15	A. No. She indicated head trauma	15	see anything just a black screen like that.
16	but personnel nurses they were arguing with	16	Q. You saw black?
17	her that she should order X-rays on shoulder	17	A. Yes.
18	and everywhere. But they said well, they	18	 Q. Approximately how long did that
19	had kind of not nice response about her. I	19	black vision last?
20	asked her to please help me to get good	20	 I believe seconds because I
21	doctor and do not neglect me, that is what I	21	couldn't hold myself and I fell back.
22	told her.	22	Q. And did it occur again before you
23	Q. It sounds like those X-ray films	23	left the hospital?
24	did not occur; is that correct?	24	A. Yes, but the yes.
2.5	A No	25	And how many times did it occur

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1	A. Rose	1 A. Rose
2	have been on?	2 with any injuries?
3	A. It is Neck Road maybe.	3 A. Well, she reported whatever my
4	Q. Do you remember the name of the	4 complaints were and headaches and everything,
5	doctor there that treated you?	5 my back pain revealed later on when my
6	A. No.	6 dizziness gets better and I was up and
7	Q. Had you ever been to that doctor	7 attempt to do things. Attempt to wash dishes
8	before?	8 or do something around the house. Then I
9	A. No.	9 start feeling my back pain. So in the
10	Q. How were you referred to that	beginning I just reported my dizziness, my
11	doctor?	11 head so they did physical therapy. Oh, I
12	A. It is not a close friend but the	12 complained my jaws were I couldn't talk.
13	woman she lives over there where the accident	13 I couldn't open my mouth, my ears, my face,
14	occurred. I knew her earlier. So she called	14 my neck.
15	me she asked me how I am doing. And she gave	15 Q. But did Dr. Miller diagnose you
16	me those that doctor's address. So we	16 with any injuries that you remember?
17	went with my daughter to there. But then	17/ A. No. She diagnosed me for the
18	they were okay. There I saw the chiropractor	18 head trauma that is all.
19	and he diagnosed me for the concussion and	19 Q. When did you first feel pain in
20	also they provided some treatment. And they	20 your back?
21	referred me for MRIs. But because it is far	21 A. Like month later.
22	I found myself not able to go back there. It	22 Q. A month after the accident?
23	takes the car service and it is expensive and	23 A. Uh-huh. Maybe three weeks later.
24	I couldn't go there. So I found another	24 Q. Where did you feel the pain in
25	doctor here and uptown 200 Dyker Street, it	25 your back?
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1	A. Rose	1 A. Rose
2	is Dr. Miller. So I was visiting her, Dr.	2 A. When I started washing the dishes
3	Miller.	3 I realized more than five minutes I can't
4	Q. And when did you first see Dr.	4 stay on top of sink right away the right side
5	Miller?	5 and my shoulders and everything. I
6	A. Approximately maybe the 10th or	6 complained to her, Dr. Miller, I said I
7	5th of January.	7 didn't know. I remember, yes, I heard some
8	Q. Of 2008?	8 jerk like this in my back but all the time I
9	A. Yes.	9 was worried about my head and I didn't care
10	Q. And how were you referred to Dr.	10 if I have any other problems in my body. I
11	Miller?	11 was worried about my head, my vision, my
12	A. Who referred me to Dr. Miller?	hearing, all those were most important. And
13	Q. Yes.	13 now kind of getting better I could stay
14	A. By the time I called the lawyer,	14 straight and I started washing dishes and I
15	accident lawyer so they give me her address	15 can't do it.
16	here. I asked them if they knew anybody and	16 Q. But did you feel it, for example,
17	they give them to me.	pain in your lower back, somewhere else
18	Q. And when did you I don't want	18 specific in your back?
19	to get into any discussion you had with your	19 A. Yeah, my lower back exactly and
20	attorneys, when did you first call an	20 if I tend to ignore that, the pain radiates
21	accident lawyer?	21 to the right leg all the way down to the
22	 A. Maybe a week later. At that time 	22 foot.
23	maybe 10th of January or 5th, between that	23 Q. And do you currently have any
24	time.	24 vision problems as a result of this accident?

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1	A. Rose	1.	A. Rose
2	injections you were given?	2	Q. Okay.
3	A. Steroid. I don't know.	3	A. Last name N-e-s-t-a-t [sic].
4	Q. I am just going to go through the	4	MR. DRUYAN: For the record, I
5	authorizations that counsel provided as well.	5	believe it is there is an authorization
6	Did you ever treat with a Dr. Kuhn, K-u-h-n,	6	for that doctor.
7	at 57th Street?	7	MR. O'CONNELL: Actually there is
8	A. Yes, I forgot, I am sorry. I am	8	an authorization it looks like her last
9	still seeing him, yes.	9	name is spelled N-e-y-s-t-a-t.
10	Q. What sort of doctor is he?	10	A. Yeah, that is correct.
11	A. He is a neurologist.	11	Q. When did you first treat with Dr.
12	Q. And when did you first see him?	12	Neystat?
13	A. Probably 2009 in April or May.	13	A. It was 2009 either January or
14	April maybe.	14	February approximately.
15	Q. Do you still treat with him?	15	Q. Why did you go to see her?
16	A. Yes.	16	A. Because I needed Dr. Miller
17	 Q. And how many appointments total 	17	didn't provided any treatment for my
18	have you had with him, if you remember?	18	neurological problems. And after a while I
19	A. I usually see him every month	19	start feeling I really messed up my nerve
20	since then and we started therapy things	20	system. I totally forgetting things, simple
21	right now because of the case from the	21	things which turn off the stove and think you
22	workers' compensation was stopped just	22	locked the door and my daughter will come
23	January now. So I am seeing him every week	23	home, mom, door was open. So on and on all
24	one time.	24	kinds of things. So Dr. Miller didn't treat
25	Q. You have seen him approximately	25	this.
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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	once a week since approximately April of	2	So I was looking for neurologist
3	2009; is that accurate?	3	and the pain different type of pains start on
4	A. No, from 2009 April I see him	4	my body which was not treated also that just
5	every month.	5	the physical therapy I was going and I didn't
6	 Q. Okay. And what sort of treatment 	6	feel this relief. It was even worse. My
7	does he provide to you? I know he is a	7	spine feels like electrocuting me, paralyzing
8	neurologist.	8	me. All kind of every different type of
9	 A. He takes care of my medication, 	9	pain. So I didn't even know it is a
10	my depression and fact that I am not able to	10	neurological problem or different problem
11	concentrate and memory problems, for all of	11	until I saw Dr. Neystat.
12	that he is treating with the medication.	12	Q. Did anyone refer you to Dr.
13	Q. Have you been diagnosed with	13	Neystat?
14	depression?	14	A. Yes. I had lawyer, her name was
15	A. Yes.	15	Irena Yman (phonetic), she referred me to
16	Q. And when were you first diagnosed	16	her. I complained about these problems and I
17	with depression ever in your life?	17	told her I need a neurologist.
18	A. By Dr. Kuhn. I am not sure if	18	Q. And what did Dr. Neystat diagnose
19	Dr. Marina Neystat also diagnosed that. But	19	you with, if any?
20	I told her. Yeah, Dr. Marina Neystat I was	20	A. Fibromyalgia.
21	telling it was 2009. In January by Dr.	21	Q. And what sort of treatment did
22	Marina Neystat.	22	she give you for fibromyalgia?
23 24	Q. How do we spell that doctor's name?	23	A. Lexapro.
	D D D O 4	. ') /	Q. And where did you fill that

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1	A. Rose	1	A Dago
2	A. I don't know, maybe one session	2	A. Rose
3	of 12 appointments that is what I figure out	3	remember
4	then another. And summer I skip because I	4	MR. DRUYAN: I am just going to
5	•	5	note for the record there may be an
6	was taking vocational training and then I	6	attachment.
7	come back again. I don't know. Maybe 30.	I -	MR. O'CONNELL: Oh, there is a
8	Q. So 30 appointments you're saying? A. Yes, for the physical therapist.	7 8	one-page attachment to this
9	A. Yes, for the physical therapist. I supposed to see her every month.	9	authorization for Fegs We Care located
10		10	80 Vandam, V-a-n-d-a-m, Street, New York
11		1	New York.
12	exercises at that facility with Nestor?	11	A. Yes. This is from the public
13	A. No, I don't do exercise at the	12	assistance case, yes.
14	facility, I do it at home. They give you	13	Q. Okay. And was that what you
15	just instruction how to do the exercise.	14	mentioned previously where
16	Q. What types of exercises did you do at home?	15	A. Yes. On Broadway you asked me
17		16	what facility and this probably. But I now
18	For the back. For the back pain. The problem was I have to mostly lean down	17	remember on Broadway probably is another
19		18 19	independent doctor which I was for evaluation
20	and lift legs and when I do lean down I have	20	being sent to him. It is Clayman or
21	the dizziness in my head so I couldn't fully, you know, accomplish the things they asked me	21	Claterman or something his name is.
22	to do.	22	Q. Did you undergo any treatment or
23		23	take any courses at NYU Rusk Institute?
24	Q. How often were you supposed to do those exercises?	24	A. NYU Rusk Institute I attempted to
25	A. Every day.	25	go back to work and I enter the work force.
<u> </u>	A. Lvery day,	23	They offer do some vocational training but
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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	Q. Did you wound up doing them every	2	today before evaluating so that last 15 days
3	day?	3	of basically taking tests, physical
4	A. Yes, now I do them.	4	performance and mental like math and English
5	 Q. And approximately how long every 	5	and everything that was at Rusk Institute.
6	day are you supposed to do the exercises?	6	MR. DRUYAN: I am going to ask
7	 A. I do ten times each specific 	7	Ms. Rose to sign an authorization for
8	exercise for the shoulders, for the back, for	8	the physical therapist who was at Rusk
9	the legs, for the arms ten times. Some of	9	so I will give you this and ask her
10	them I count all the way to 50 times. It	10	questioning about the physical
11	last sometimes 20 minutes I guess or more,	11	therapist.
12	little more. I do it morning and at night	12	THE WITNESS: I am not sure it is
13	two times.	13	a physical therapist. I don't know.
1.4	Q. Did you also treat with a Dr.	14	MR. DRUYAN: Okay.
15	Perry?	15	Q. It looks like a Dr. Alyssa,
16	A. Dr. Perry was an independent	16	A-l-y-s-s-a
17	doctor from the insurance company. He just	17	A. Yes.
18	he didn't give me treatment, he just	18	Q. Malaspina, M-a-l-a-s-p-i-n-a, did
19	evaluated.	19	you treat with her?
20	Q. Oh, that is through workers'	20	A. Yes, she evaluated.
21	comp?	21	Q. Was that part of the Rusk
22	A. Yes.	22	Institute?
23	Q. And there is a facility F-e-g-s,	23	A. Yes.
24	We Care?	24 25	Q. And what did she evaluate you
25	A. Yes, that is what I told now I		for?

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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose	ı
2	Q. Do you remember when the decrease	2	your working for Ms. Pildish, were you always	
3	to a \$100 occurred?	3	just working Friday through Sunday?	
4	A. Maybe September 2009.	4	A. Yes. Sometimes I work more when	
5	Q. And what, if any, Social Security	5	I was off from my school. I mean the breaks,	
6	benefits have you received?	6	spring break and Christmas break.	
7	A. No, nothing.	7	Q. And I don't know if I asked this	╢
8	Q. Did you file the Social Security	8	yet but I just want to be clear. Prior to	1
9	claim?	9	this accident did you use any walking aids	
10	A. I filed but I don't have any	10	like a cane or anything like that?	
11	benefits.	11	A. No.	
12	Q. Okay. And when did you file the	12	Q. Did any doctors prescribe you any	
13	claim, if you remember?	13	canes or other walking aids at any point	
14	A. When I was attending the We Care.	14	after the accident?	
15	It was 2009 maybe in March or April.	15	A. Yes.	
16	Q. And did they give you any reason	16	Q. And which doctors were those?	
17	why they wouldn't give you Social Security	17	A. I don't remember.	-
18	benefits?	18	Q. Do you remember when you first	l
19	A. No.	19	started using the cane?	
20	Q. When were you informed that you	20	A. Yes oh yes, from Rusk	
21	were not going to get any Social Security	21	Institute. I was seeing a doctor also.	
22	benefits?	22	Before somebody prescribed but I didn't want	-
23	A. Um, 2009 maybe July 2009.	23	to take it. It is depressing me more to	
24	Q. Did you have to go to an office	24	acknowledge that I am disabled. I don't want	
25	to file that claim?	25	to think of myself. But then Dr. Yellen I	
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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose	
2	A. That facility over here they fill	2	saw from the Rusk Institute. He didn't give	ł
3	out for me.	3	me any reports also but he convinced me also.	١
4	Q. Have you ever been a member of a	4	Either way it will help in public places and	ļ
5	labor union?	5	everything.	1
6	A. Labor union, no, it is	6	Q. When did you first start using	
7	professional something.	7	the cane?	
8	Q. For any employment that you ever	8	A. I use it at home all the time	
9	had in the United States, have you ever	9	before I was like dizzy all the time I was	
10	belonged to a union?	10	using. But outside I start using recently.	
11	A. No.	11	January was the snow, a lot of snow and I	
12	Q. Going back to your employment	12	needed to go out in the court so I decided to	
13	with Omega, am I correct in thinking that was	13	take it. It is snow and slippery.	
14	your employer at the time of this accident?	14	Q. Did you say you needed to go to	
15	A. Yes.	15	court?	
16	Q. And when did you first begin	16	A. Yeah, from the workers'	
17	working for Omega?	17	compensation.	
18	A. May of 2005 would be accurate I	18	Q. Have you ever attended a workers'	
19	guess.	19	compensation hearing?	
20	Q. And when did you first get	20	A. Yeah, we went to hearing.	
21	assigned to work with Ms. Pildish, if you	21	Q. And when was that?	
22	remember?	22	A. That was what, February. Is this	
		23	February month?	
23	 A. December 2006. December 2006, 	43	rebruary month:	
23 24 25	right. Q. Okay. And during the course of	24	Q. This is March currently.	

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1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	classes located?	2	
3	A. On Court Street also in the same	3	A. Any sort of job that was up to
4	vicinity Omega's office, 44 Court Street.	4	Rusk Institute if I want to change jobs. So
5	Q. How many days of classes did you	5	I don't know anything about them what they decide to do with me. I talk to my
6	attend?	6	
7		7	counselor, he told me he is trying to put me
8	A. It is only one day but it is morning to evening.	8	in a comfortable place that will be applying
9		9	to my condition. But he said I have to have
10	Q. Do you know approximately how many hours it was?	10	records from Dr. Yellen who he referred me to
	•	11	and I called him recently and he said I still
12	A. I start from nine to five. I	12	don't have any records and I don't know what
13	don't know how many hours.	i i	to do with you.
14	Q. And when you worked with Ms.	13	Q. When you were working at Omega
15	Pildish how many hours a day did you work	14	were you paid by check or by some other
16	with her typically?	15	method?
17	A. Twelve and a half hours.	16	A. By check.
18	Q. Did you receive overtime pay for	17	Q. Did they issue you a W-2 for your
19	working 12 hours a day or just a straight time rate?	18	taxes?
20		19	A. Yes.
21	A. No, straight time because	20	Q. Did the vocational training you
22	40 hours it is like 26 hours a week.	21	underwent at Rusk, do you remember what that
23	Q. Okay. Aside from the vocational	23	consisted of?
24	training you underwent at Rusk and your one	24	A. Vocational training we performed
25	day of orientation class at Omega, have you	25	some kind of physical task to assemble
25	performed any other employment since this	25	details together, to screw things that
	119		121
1	A. Rose	1	A. Rose
2	accident?	2	required specific positions of body positions
3	A. No.	3	specifically. We also did like do you know
4	MR. DRUYAN: That is for Dr.	4	counting. When you work on register a lot of
5	Yellen at Rusk. You have one for Rusk	5	numbers to adding things to get total number.
6	and Yellen and Rusk and Malaspina at	6	Also we did like logical, mechanical,
7	Rusk.	7	evaluating that. A lot of tests they usually
8	Q. I am sorry, just to be clear,	8	from 9 to 1:00.
9	aside from the vocational training and the	9	Q. Okay. How long did the training
10	one day orientation class with Omega, have	10	last, for example, one week, two weeks or
11	you performed any other employment since this	11	something else?
12	accident?	12	A. Fifteen days. From 9 to 1:00
13	A. No.	13	with hour break.
1.4	 Q. Has any doctor ever told you that 	14	 Q. With your household chores,
15	you are unable to perform employment duties?	15	things such as cooking and cleaning and so
16	A. Yes, Dr. Levinson and Dr. Kuhn.	16	on, are you able to perform those tasks the
17	Q. Did they say you are totally	17	way you could prior to this accident?
18	disabled, partially disabled or something	18	A. No.
19	else?	19	Q. Could you describe the
20	A. I remember by my records that I	20	limitations that you have in that regard?
21	am totally disabled from Dr. Levinson and Dr.	21	A. Well, I have washer machine but I
22	Kuhn also.	22	don't have a dryer so I have to hang them on
23	Q. Now, are you totally disabled	23	the lines like that. I raise my head up like
24	from performing your old job or any sort of	24	that. Washing dishes is tragedy for me

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that. Washing dishes is tragedy for me because I would rather stay straight but not

from performing your old job or any sort of job?

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MR. O'CONNELL: I will read them

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time for myself to progress. And those

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8	hereinbefore set forth, was duly sworn by me	
9	and that the within transcript is a true	
10	record of the testimony given by such	
11	witness,	
12	I further certify that I am not related to	
13	any of the parties to this action by blood	
14	or marriage and that I am in no way	
15	interested in the outcome of this matter.	
16	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my	
17	hand this day of, 2010.	
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